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ANNUAL REPORT
of the
Town Offices



Of the
Town of Egremont
Berkshire County, Massachusetts

For the Fiscal Year 2018

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FACTS ABOUT EGREMONT

INCORPORATED.....	1775
LOCATION.....	Southwestern corner of Mass.
POPULATION.....	1081
LEGAL VOTERS.....	1012
FORM OF GOVERNMENT.....	Town Meeting
TAX RATE FY 2018.....	\$9.62
PUBLIC SCHOOL.....	Southern Berkshire Regional
LIBRARY.....	Egremont Free Library
POLICE 911 or.....	528-2160 Tyler Race, Chief
FIRE PROTECTION 911 or.....	528-1625 Joseph Schneider, Chief James Olmsted, Assistant William Turner, Assistant
AMBULANCE SERVICE 911 or.....	528-3900 Southern Berkshire Volunteer
STATE POLICE.....	1(413)243-0600
EMERGENCIES.....	911
TOWN OFFICES.....	528-0182 171 Egremont Plain Road Monday-Friday 7:00am - 3:00pm
TOWN ROADS.....	42.19 miles
TOTAL AREA.....	18.91 miles
TOTAL ACREAGE.....	12,039.79
APPROXIMATE ELEVATION.....	800 feet - town center
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DATE.....	First Tuesday of May May 7, 2019
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION DATE.....	Second Tuesday of May May 14, 2019

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Governor

Charles Baker

Lt. Governor

Karyn Polito

United States Senators

Elizabeth Warren

Edward Markey

United States Representative

Richard Neal

First Congressional District

State Senator

Adam Hinds

Berkshire Senatorial District

State Representative

William “Smitty” Pignatelli, Lee
4th Berkshire Representative District

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

ELECTED:

ASSESSORS:

Susan Turner	2019
Robin Goldberg	2020
Francine Groener	2021

AUDITOR:

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS:

David Campbell	2020
Herman Trudeau Jr.	2019
John Wells	2021

CONSTABLE:

James Olmsted	2020
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LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

Francine Groener	2019
Margaret Muskrat	2021
Keila Sheldon	2020

MODERATOR:

Stephen Cohen	2019
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PLANNING BOARD:

Lucinda Vermuelen	2019
Helen Krancer	2021
Jared Kelly	2023
Gregory Cherin	2020
Ed Regendahl	2022
Associate member: Marj Wexler	2020

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Marcella Bush
Ken Knox

SELECTBOARD:

George McGurn	2020
Bruce Turner	2019
Mary Brazie	2021

TOWN CLERK:

Juliette Haas	2020
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TREE WARDEN:

James Olmsted	2020
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APPOINTED:

A.D.A. COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Bruce Turner Bill Tighe
Tom Reynolds

ACCOUNTING OFFICER:

Paul Lisi
Mary Brazie, Assistant

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE:

Don Pulfer
Richard Stanley
Richard Allen
Bonnie Oloff
Joan Goodkind
Bruce Bernstein

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION:

Sara Love 2019
Carla Turner 2018
Peter Maggio 2017
Jennifer Brown 2018
Elizabeth Keene 2019

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER:

John Springstube 2019
DEPUTIES: Bonnie Bassis
James Olmsted

APPEALS, BOARD OF:

James Lamme 2019
Elliott Snyder, Chair 2021
Susan Bachelder 2020
Alternates: Chuck Ogden, Cathy Fracasse 2019

ASSESSORS CLERK:

Will Brinker

BERKSHIRE COUNTY REG'L PLANNING COMMISSION:

Jared Kelly, Representative 2019
Gregory Cherin, Alternate

BERKSHIRE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

Bruce Bernstein 2018
Bruce Turner, Chairman Board of Selectmen 2018

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS SUPERINTENDENT:

Thomas Reynolds

BUILDING & GROUNDS LABORER:

Scott Fountain

BUILDING INSPECTOR:

Ned Baldwin 2019
Alternate: Bengt Granskog

BURIAL AGENT:

Juiette Haas 2018

COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE

James Noe
Lucinda Vermeulen
Susan Bachedler
Mary Brazie
Jared Kelly

COMPACTOR OPERATOR:

William T. Wood 2019
Alternates: Highway Department & Scott Fountain & Tony
Valentino

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Alina Hsu 2021
Bill Tynan, 2019
David Seligman 2020
Ron Ronan 2020
Logan Malik, Associate on leave 2019

COUNCIL ON AGING:

Rachel Shaw, Associate 2019
Bruce Bernstein
Georgette Kinney
Helen Krancer
Chet Delaney
Eve Goldberg
Carolyn Palmucci
Margaret Muskrat, Administrator Assistant

DRAFT HYDRANT COMMITTEE:

Tom Sierau 2019

E-911 COORDINATORS:

Mary Brazie 2019

EGREMONT-ALFORD CULTURAL COUNCIL:

Robin Goldberg 2022
Margaret Muskrat 2021
Joan Rogers-Kelly-Alford 2020
Sue Arkan-Alford 2020
Mary Ann Hayes-Alford 2021
LouAnn Harvey 2018
Hilary Penglase 2018
Susan Bachelder 2020
Karen Climo 2021

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR:

Edward McCormick 2018
Assistant William Brinker

FENCE VIEWERS:

Kevin Wheeler 2018

FIELD DRIVER:

David Sheldon 2018

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Laura Allen 2019
Stephen Rawlings 2020
Amy Pulver 2020
Frank Penglase 2021
Michael Bandzierz 2019
Thomas Berkel 2021

FIRE CHIEF:

Joseph Schneider 2018
Bill Turner, Assistant #1
Jim Olmsted, Assistant #2
James Golden, Captain
Dave Guidi, Captain
Roger Meyer, Lieutenant

Paul Sierau, Lieutenant	
Dave Katzenstein, EMS/Tech Rescue Captain	
<u>FOREST WARDEN:</u>	
Joseph Schneider	2019
<u>FRENCH PARK COMMITTEE:</u>	2019
George McGurn, Trustee	
Bruce Turner, Trustee	
Mary Brazie, Trustee	
Jennifer Brown	
Hilary Penglase	
Zoe Hersh	
Melody Lamb	
Elizabeth Spaulding	
<u>GAS INSPECTOR:</u>	
Robert Gennari	
Robert Kruspki, alternate	
<u>GREEN COMMITTEE:</u>	2019
Juliette Haas	
Robin Goldberg	
Marj Wexler	
Richard Allen	
Pat Konecky	
Corinna Barnard	
<u>HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR:</u>	
Edward McCormick	2019
<u>HEALTH, BOARD OF:</u>	
Ellen Maggio	2020
Charles Ogden	2021
William Rose	2019
Alternate & Director: Juliette Haas	2019
<u>HIGHWAY PERSONNEL:</u>	2019
Donald Peck, Foreman	
Richard LaRose	
Carmello Guarda	
<u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION:</u>	
Steve Piersanti	2019
William Wood	2021
Susan Bachelder	2021
Elliott Snyder	2019
Barbara Kalish	2020
Rebecca Turner	2019
	2020
<u>INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS:</u>	
John Springstube - Domestic & Livestock	2019
<u>LIBRARIAN:</u>	
Lesliann Furcht	
Substitute: Marie Erwin, Abigail Rogers-Mckee	
<u>MASSACHUSETTS BROADBAND INSTITUTE:</u>	
Jeff Lazarus, Liason	
<u>MUNICIPAL COORDINATORS:</u>	
Edward McCormick	2019
<u>OPEN SPACE & RECREATION BYLAW COMMITTEE</u>	
George McGurn, Selectmen's rep	
Helen Krancer	

Karen Berger
 Tom Gilbert
PLUMBING INSPECTOR:
 Robert Krupski 2019
 Alternate: Bob Gennari
POLICE DEPARTMENT:
 Police Chief: Erik Josephson
 Full-time Patrol Officer: Hans Carlson 2019
 Maximillan Kolb
 Shawn Boyne
 Part-time Patrol Officers: 2019
 Joseph Pravia
 Matthew Sutton
 Jennifer Brown
 William Minacci
 Tyler Race
 Brandon Yap
 Stephen Parkington
 Police Details Only: Brian Shaw
 Police Administrative Assistant: Margaret Avenia
POLL WORKERS:
 Juliette Haas, Town Clerk 2018
 Marlene Soudant, Warden
 Susan Turner, Warden
 James Olmsted, Constable
 Rosemary Besancon, Barbara Shultis, Lisa Ecklund, Susan Turner,
 Marj Wexler, Gerard Lanoue, Peg Muskrat
POUND KEEPER:
 John Springstube 2019
 Bonnie Bassis
REGISTRARS, BOARD OF:
 Juliette Haas, Chair 2018
 Jeannie Peck
 Marlene Soudant
 Lizzie Spaulding
 Carissa Mann
ROAD SUPERINTENDENT:
 James Noe
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD:
 Egremont Police Chief
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:
 Mary Ann Brazie
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER:
 Peter Barrett 2019
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: 2019
 Laura Allen
 John Wells
 Jeffrey Lazarus
 Marj Wexler
 Mark Roggen
 Rolfe Tessem
 Joan Goodkind

<u>TOWN COUNSEL:</u>	
Firm of Hannon, Lerner, Cowhig, Scully & Bell	2019
Lead Attorney: Jeremia Pollard	
<u>TOWN HALL OFFICE CLERK:</u>	
William Brinker	
<u>TOWN HISTORIAN:</u>	
William H. Wood	2019
<u>TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR:</u>	
Susan Funk	
<u>VETERANS' AGENT:</u>	
Laurie Hils	2019
<u>VETERAN'S SERVICES:</u>	
Thomas Gage	
<u>WATER COMMISSION:</u>	
Steve Agar	2019
Ray Palmucci	2020
Gerard Lanoue	2021
<u>WATER DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK:</u>	
William Brinker	
<u>WATER DEPARTMENT OPERATOR:</u>	
James Olmsted (retiring)	
Nathan Stalker	
<u>WIRE INSPECTOR:</u>	
Ted Piontek	2019
Alternate: Robert Clausen	

TOWN OF EGREMONT GENERAL BYLAWS

May 3, 2017

BYLAW 1

Section 1: Attested copies of all Town Meeting Warrants shall be posted by the Town Constable or other person so designated by the Board of Selectmen, in four (4) public places or more, within the Town, for at least fourteen (14) days before the holding of said meeting, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Section 2: The Selectmen shall place in the local newspaper a synopsis of the warrant for any special town meeting at least fourteen (14) days before the date of said meeting and copies of the warrant shall be available to the public at the place of said meeting.

Section 3: Articles in the Warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they stand, unless the meeting shall direct otherwise by majority vote. No article shall be prejudiced by such action.

Section 4: The presence of sixty (60) voters at a Town Meeting for the transaction of business shall constitute a quorum, except for a motion to adjourn, for which no quorum shall be required. The number of persons constituting a quorum may only be altered at an Annual Town Meeting.

Section 5: All motions at a Town Meeting shall be reduced to writing if so requested by the Moderator or any legal voter.

Section 6: Any vote to raise and appropriate money by issuing bonds or notes of the Town except as provided in Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and amendments thereto and any vote concerning a raise in the limit of indebtedness of the Town hereafter taken shall be acted upon at any annual town meeting or special town meeting in the warrant for which such article or articles appear by written secret ballot.

Section 7: All boards and committees shall, within one week after election or appointment, elect a chairperson and secretary, and give notice of such election to the Town Clerk.

Section 8: The Selectmen shall annually, by December 1 after the close of the preceding fiscal year, cause to be distributed among the taxpayers of the Town, a detailed report in print of all money received into and paid out of the Town Treasury during that preceding fiscal year, which report shall be examined and approved by the Auditor before it is printed. The Selectmen shall also publish in said report such information and recommendations as they may deem proper.

Section 9: Per a vote of Town Meeting on May 31, 1973 it was designated that the first Tuesday of May is the date of the Annual Town Meeting and the second Tuesday in May is the date of the Town Election.

BYLAW 2

The Selectmen have the full authority as agents of the town to institute and prosecute suits in the name of the town, and to appear and defend suits brought against it, unless it is otherwise specially ordered by a vote of the town. They may, with the advice of counsel, settle any compromise suits or claims where the settlement shall not call for payment of more than three hundred (\$300.00) dollars.

BYLAW 3

Section 1: All articles in any warrant shall be referred to and considered by the Finance Committee for its recommendations. Said committee shall be constituted as follows: six voters to be appointed by the moderator within seven (7) days after the annual town elections, none of whom shall hold any other town office, two to serve for a term of one year, two to serve for a term of two years, and two to serve for a term of three years, or until their successors are chosen. Successors shall be chosen by a majority vote of a committee within twenty-one (21) days after the Annual Town Elections. Said committee shall consist of two Selectmen chosen by the Selectmen, two of the remaining members of the Finance Committee, chosen by the Finance Committee, and the Moderator. Said committee shall not contain the same two Selectmen or the same two Finance Committee members in successive years. Chairperson of said committee shall rotate between a Selectman, a Finance Committee member, and the Moderator in successive years. Vacancies shall be filled as soon as possible in the same manner as are successors. Any member appointed to the committee in accordance with the foregoing sentence shall serve for the unexpired portion of the term of the member whom he is replacing.

Section 2: It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to investigate the cost of maintenance of the different departments of the Town, and they shall recommend in detail the amounts to be appropriated for each department for the ensuing year.

Section 3: The committee shall have authority to summon before it for such information and investigation as it shall deem necessary, any of the Town officials and reports, for such examination considered by it necessary to the proper discharge of its duties.

BYLAW 4

Except as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 101, Section 17 and Section 22, no person shall act as a door-to-door hawker, peddler, or transient vendor within the Town of Egremont without having obtained a license for such purposes from the Select Board.

The penalty for violation of this bylaw shall be a fine of \$20.00 for each violation. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate violation. The enforcing agent shall be the Police Department.

BYLAW 5

Section 1: The Selectmen shall annually within thirty (30) days following the annual election appoint a minimum of five (5) and not more than seven (7) registered voters of the town to serve as a municipal Council of Aging in accordance with the provisions of Section 8B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws.

Section 2: The Council shall organize by choosing from its membership a chairman and clerk of said Council.

Section 3: The Council shall submit an annual report to the town meeting and furnish copies to the State Commission on Aging.

Section 4: The Council may appoint such clerks and other employees as it may require.

Section 5: The Council shall coordinate and carry out programs designed to meet the problems of the aging in cooperation with programs of the State Commission on Aging as established by Section 73 of Chapter 5 of the General Laws.

BYLAW 6

Section 1: No boat propelled by an engine of more than ten (10) horsepower shall be operated on Prospect Lake in said Town.

Section 2: A Harbor Master, to enforce state and local regulations, including the provisions of this Bylaw, is to be appointed annually by the Selectmen as of July 1 each year.

Section 3: Any vessel propelled by internal combustion engine shall not exceed a speed of 10 m.p.h. on the waters of Prospect Lake.

Section 4: No vessel propelled by internal combustion engine shall be operated on Prospect Lake at any time before sunrise nor after sunset, except for emergencies or with written permission of the Harbor Master.

Section 5: Disposal of waste of any type is strictly prohibited by Bylaw and in State law within or upon the waters and waterways of the Town.

Section 6: The fine for each offense shall be \$50.00 payable to the Town of Egremont. Other offenses under M.G.L. Chapter 90B shall be fined, subject to the decision of the Harbor Master, who will enforce the provisions of such Chapter 90B for the Town.

BYLAW 7

The Board of Selectmen shall require all applicants for appointments as full-time Town employees to be appointed on the basis of their qualifications and shall compile a job description for each such appointment.

BYLAW 8

A. Any person owning and keeping an unlicensed dog within the Town shall, under the provisions of Section 141 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws and amendments thereto, be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which fine shall be in addition to the applicable licensing fee as prescribed by law.

B. Any person owning or keeping a dog within the Town in violation of a muzzling and/or restraining order issued by the Board of Selectmen of the Town and in effect at the time under the provisions of Section 167 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws shall be subject to a fine of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for the first offense and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for the second offense.

C. Whenever a complaint is sought in District Court for a second or subsequent violation under the provision of Section 173 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, the fines set forth in Section 173A of said Chapter 140 shall apply.

BYLAW 9

Section 1: Definitions--As used in this by-law, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

1.1 **Alarm Systems**--Any alarm device, whether police, fire or medical, which automatically emits an audible, visual, or other response upon the occurrence of any hazard or emergency and is intended to alert persons outside the building to the existence of said hazard or emergency, including alarm signals transmitted to privately operated alarm monitoring companies.

1.2 False Emergency Alarm--Any signal actuated by an emergency alarm to which the Police or Fire Department responds which is not the result of fire, holdup, robbery, or other crime emergency.

1.3 Police Emergency Number--Any telephone number designated by the Chief of Police as a telephone number through which members of the public or alarm monitoring company may report an emergency or request public assistance.

Section 2: Dialing Devices--No person shall use, operate or install any alarm system without a permit issued by the Board of Selectmen. Any system installed on or after the effective date of this by-law must comply with this by-law. Pre-existing installations must comply within six (6) months of the effective date of this bylaw.

Section 3: Delay--Upon the activation of a burglary (break-in) alarm there shall be a mandatory delay of at least fifteen seconds before the transmission of a signal/call to enable the user to abort the signal in the event that it was triggered inadvertently. This delay shall not be applicable to a robbery (hold-up), fire or medical emergency alarm.

Section 4: Timing Device--The user of every alarm system shall, at the time such system is installed, or within six (6) months of the effective date of this bylaw in the case of existing systems, install or cause to be installed an automatic timing device which shall deactivate such alarm so that it will be activated for no more than fifteen (15) minutes.

Section 5: Filing requirements

5.1 The user of every alarm system maintained in the town, except those installed in motor vehicles, shall within ten (10) days of installation thereof or within sixty (60) days of the enactment of this bylaw, file the following information with the Selectmen's Office of the Town of Egremont:

5.1a Name, address, and phone number of the property owner.

5.1b Type of alarm system.

5.1c Street address and the nearest cross street of the building which houses the alarm.

5.1d In the case of commercial premises, the name, address, and telephone number of an authorized representative and/or an alternate who will be able to respond when called by Police to deactivate the alarm system, if necessary.

5.1e In the case of a private residence, the name, address, and telephone number of a person who is not a resident of the private residence in question and who will be able to deactivate the alarm system.

Section 6: Permit; Fee; Revocation.

6.1 The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to grant a revocable permit to any owner, lessee or occupant of property located in the town to operate, maintain, install or modify a police or fire alarm device, and no such device shall be operated unless such permit shall have first been issued.

6.2 The Board of Selectmen shall charge an annual fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for the issuance of such permit.

6.3 A permit issued pursuant to this bylaw may be revoked at any time or from time to time by the Board of Selectmen upon giving of ten (10) days' notice in writing, by registered or certified mail, to the permittee, sent to the address shown on the permit. The violation of this bylaw shall constitute grounds for the revocation of the permit.

Section 7: False Alarms--After the issuance of a permit, a fee will be charged for responses to the building/residence for any false alarm, including an alarm malfunction or an accidental alarm, based on a responding officer's determination. When responding to such an alarm, a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be charged for the second response, one hundred (\$100.00) for each subsequent response. After the third response within a twelve-month period, the permit may be revoked by the

Board of Selectmen, and the alarm system disconnected, until the alarm system has been re-certified by a reputable installer of alarms. All such alarm fees will be payable to the Town of Egremont.

Section 8: Disconnection--In the event that an alarm system emitting an audible, visual, or other similar response shall fail to be deactivated within the time limitation specified in Section 4 above, the Town shall have the right to take such action as may be necessary in order to disconnect any such alarm.

Section 9: Penalties for Offenses--Any person operating an alarm system without a permit from the Board of Selectmen violates the provision of this bylaw and shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense. Each subsequent month shall constitute a new violation and an additional fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be assessed to anyone who has not paid the permit fee. If, after six months since the first billing date, the fees and fines remain unpaid, the Town will revoke the alarm permit and take action to have the alarm system disconnected and a new installation application must be made by a certified alarm installer and fees and fines paid before reconnecting the alarm.

BYLAW 10

The town, in order to recycle as much as possible of solid waste generated within the Town, authorizes the Selectmen to enact rules and regulations to require everyone disposing of solid waste at a Town facility to separate recyclable material from their solid waste and to dispose of such recyclable material in designated areas so that it may be recycled.

For the purpose of this bylaw, the term "recyclable" shall mean: glass, paper, and metal, as well as other material the Selectmen may determine can be recycled. The Selectmen may set a fine not to exceed \$100.00 for each violation of this bylaw.

All bylaws, rules, and regulations or other documents inconsistent with the provisions of this bylaw are hereby repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

This bylaw and the various parts, sentences, or clauses thereof are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, or clause is adjudged invalid, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this bylaw shall not be affected thereby.

The Selectmen shall have the authority to add, alter or delete items to be separated as markets for recycled goods change.

BYLAW 11

Tag sales and sales of similar nature within the Town of Egremont will be allowed at any location, by permit from the Board of Selectmen. The fee will be set by the Board of Selectmen.

Up to three tag sales at the same location and/or by the same person will be permitted in one calendar year with the fees increased for each successive sale. Permits must be applied for 14 days prior to the sale and shall not be advertised prior to obtaining a permit. Violators of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$50.00.

All posted signs, notices, posters, etc., advertising a tag sale and sales of similar nature must be removed within 24 hours of the closing of said sale. Violators of this Bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$10.00 per day.

BYLAW 12

The Board of Selectmen is authorized to initiate proceedings for the non-criminal disposition of violations of Town By-laws or any rules or regulations of any municipal officials, boards or departments, the violation of which is subject to a special penalty. The procedures set forth in MGL Chapter 40, Section 21D are hereby adopted for said non-criminal disposition of violation.

BYLAW 13

A swimming pool, whether above or below ground, whether public or private, is subject to the following requirements:

A. A pool permit obtained through the Building Inspector shall require that all pools be surrounded by at least a 4-foot-high fence, rigidly held in place, constructed of or faced with (i.e. on the outside) a wire mesh fence having openings no greater than 3" in diameter, with a safety latch on the gate to help prevent accidental drowning. All other types of fencing designed to prevent young children from climbing over or crawling under and/or through may be allowed at the discretion of an with the permission of the Building Inspector.

B. All above ground pools must have detachable ladders and/or platforms, that are removed when pool is not in use. There shall not be any permanent attached access to the pool.

C. All public and semi-public pools shall be regulated by the Mass. State Building Code Article 6, Section 625.0

D. Pre-existing pools must comply within twelve (12) months of the effective date of this bylaw. (February 24, 1992 effective date.)

E. Violators of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$50.00 a day.

BYLAW 14

A. Numbers for each dwelling, each apartment, and each business, and other buildings in the Town of Egremont shall be those assigned

in accordance with the street number survey by the Egremont E 9-1-1 Coordinator.

B. It shall be the responsibility of each property owner in the town to obtain and install the number or numbers assigned to the affected structure or structures within ten (10) working days of the assignment.

C. The owner of the property seeking a building permit for a new building or structure shall apply for and receive such a building number designation or numbers from the 9-1-1 Coordinator as a part of the application to the Building Inspector for a building permit and/or as a part of the application to the Road Superintendent for a driveway permit, and no permit shall be issued without designation of such building number. The numbers must be installed on the property before any construction or construction preparation begins.

D. Reflective numbers shall be placed at the main entrance to the structure; that is, on the road on a suitable support so that they are clearly visible from the street. The size of the numbers to be no less than 3 inches high, and placed no higher than six (6) feet above ground level, and no lower than 3 feet above ground level, and for structures begun after July 1, 2002 no lower than 42 (forty-two) inches above ground level.

E. This Bylaw shall be enforced by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Egremont, either directly

or through an enforcer to be appointed by them. Failure to comply with this Bylaw shall subject the offending property owner to a fine not exceeding ten dollars (\$10.00) per day after proper notification of failure to such owner. All residents shall have 3 months from the date of inception of this bylaw to comply.

BYLAW 15

- A. Prior to construction of a tennis court, written application for a tennis court permit shall be made to the Building Inspector, said application to include the name of the property owner and the location of the proposed tennis court indicated on a plot plan.
- B. The Building Inspector shall, within 30 days of receipt of the aforesaid application, determine whether said proposed tennis court conforms to all applicable regulations and, if so, shall issue a tennis court permit within said 30 days.
- C. No construction of the proposed tennis court shall occur unless a tennis court permit shall have been issued.
- D. Upon issuance of a tennis court permit, the Building Inspector shall simultaneously forward a copy of said permit to the Board of Assessors.
- E. The owner of a tennis court pre-existing the date of acceptance of this Bylaw by the Attorney General of Massachusetts must inform the Assessors of the tennis court's existence within 30 days following said date.
- F. Failure to comply with this Bylaw shall subject the offending violator to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day after proper notification of failure to such violator.
- G. This Bylaw shall be enforced by the Town Building Inspector.

BYLAW 16

A. Definitions;

Tax Collector - The municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterment and other municipal charges.

Licensing Authority - Any department, board, commission or division that issues local licenses or permits of any kind, including renewals and transfers.

Party - Any person, corporation or business enterprise.

B. The Tax Collector shall annually furnish to all municipal Licensing Authorities a list of any parties that have neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterment or other municipal charges for a period of not less than twelve (12) months, provided that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate tax board.

C. With the exception of licenses and permits specified in Subsection E of this Bylaw, the Licensing Authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the Licensing Authority from the Tax Collector, and said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party.

Before any such denial, revocation or suspension, however, written notice shall be given to the Party

by certified mail, return receipt requested, and to the Tax Collector, both in accordance with applicable provisions of law, and the Party shall be given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen (14) days after receipt of said notice. For the purposes of this section, said notice shall be deemed received on the return receipt. In the event the Party fails or refuses to accept said written notice and/or the return receipt is unsigned or undated, the notice shall be deemed to have been received on the third business day following the date of mailing, as determined by the postmark or other evidence.

The Tax Collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the License Authority receives a certificate issued by the Tax Collector certifying that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterment or other municipal charges, payable to the Town of Egremont as of the date of issuance of said certificate.

D. Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the Licensing Authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement.

Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.

E. The Board of Selectmen, upon written request, may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of Chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

Notice of the public hearing shall be posted on the principal bulletin board in the Town Hall not less than seven (7) days before the hearing and shall be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation within Egremont once each in two succeeding weeks, with the date of first publication not less than fourteen (14) days before the date of the hearing.

F. This Bylaw shall not apply to the following licenses and permits:

1. Open burning (MGL Ch.48, Sect.13)
2. Bicycle permits (MGL Ch.85,Sect.11A)
3. Sales of articles for charitable purposes (MGL Ch.101, Sect.33)
4. Children work permits (MGL Ch.149,Sect.69)
5. Clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses (MGL Ch.140,Sect.21E)
6. Dog licenses (MGL Ch.140,Sect.137)
7. Fishing, hunting, trapping licenses (MGL Ch.131,Sect.12)
8. Marriage licenses (MGL Ch.207, Sect.28)
9. Theatrical events, public exhibition permits (MGL Ch.140, Sect.181)

BYLAW 17

ACCESS TO PUBLIC WAYS

I. Definitions (for the purpose of this Bylaw only)

Abutting property owner: a person or entity owning property bordering on a way.

Driveway: a driveway, private road, logging road, temporary access for construction, logging or testing, and other privately owned vehicular access to and egress from a way; excluding temporary access when no excavation is performed or fill added.

Public Way: a way laid out by a public agency, or dedicated to public use or laid out for public use or used and maintained as a public way.

Way: any public way which is not subject to G.L. Ch. 81, S. 21 (state curb cut permit).

II. Purposes

A. To provide maximum protection to the public through the orderly control of traffic moving onto and from a way;

B. To provide a uniform practice in the design and construction of entrances and exits;

C. To provide the necessary drainage.

III. Permits

Any abutting property owner desiring to gain access to a way or desiring to alter, change or close an existing driveway shall do so only in accordance with the provisions of a permit issued by the Board of Selectmen.

A. Application

Before beginning construction, the abutting property owner or his duly authorized agent shall make written application, on forms available at the Town Hall, to the Highway Superintendent, including a plan showing:

1. Any driveway that is to be created, altered or closed; and
2. details on drainage.

The application shall contain a description of the proposed construction as far as it encroaches upon or affects the public road or public way and its shoulders, banks, ditches, drainage and other features. The application shall also describe the effect on traffic. A fee of \$50.00 shall be paid to the Town of Egremont when the application is submitted to the Highway Superintendent.

B. Processing of applications by the Highway Superintendent

The Highway Superintendent shall examine the application in order to determine if it conforms to sound design requirements, including those listed in Section V below. He shall make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen within ten (10) days after receipt of the written application, setting forth conditions that he deems reasonable.

C. Action by the Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen shall issue or deny a permit within ten (10) days after receiving a recommendation from the Highway Superintendent. The permit may set forth conditions which the Selectmen deem reasonable. The denial shall give reasons; it may contain suggestions for a revised application.

IV. Design requirements

A. The Highway Superintendent shall consider the requirements of the State DPW Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, but shall modify these to accord with:

1. local conditions;
2. compatibility with local road design; and
3. size of the proposed project.

B. Driveways shall be located to the best advantage with regard to alignments with the way,

profile, sight distance conditions and the like. A leveling area shall be provided at the edge of the way sufficient for safe access on to the way. Unless conditions require it, a driveway should not be located at the extreme edge of a property.

C. No more than two driveways shall normally be allowed for any property unless there is clear necessity for more. Leasing of a portion of the property does not affect this requirement. If a number of establishments will be constructed on one parcel, a service road may be required, to connect with allowable exit and entrance.

D. Driveways shall not normally be approved at intersections, particularly signalized intersections, because of the potential safety hazard which arises when a driver enters a road from a corner driveway and is not faced with a direct signal indication. Access directly into a rotary is also discouraged.

E. Culverts taking the place of roadside ditches shall have a diameter of not less than 15 inches. A larger diameter may be required.

F. The elevation of driveways at the point of entry into the public right of way should be no more than the elevation of the shoulder of the road.

G. Driveways should be so constructed that water from the driveway shall not drain onto the crown of the road.

H. In no instance shall the edge of the driveway entering onto the road conflict with the flow of surface water runoff.

I. Individual driveways should not be less than eight (8) feet nor more than sixteen (16) feet in width within the Town right of way. Any curb at the entrance shall be rounded off with a radius of three (3) feet.

J. Wherever possible, driveways should be pitched downward from the roadway. However, where topography prevents the driveway from being pitched downward in its entirety, the driveway must be constructed on a downgrade from the road surface to the sideline of the Town right of way with a pitch of at least one-quarter inch per foot. From the sideline the driveway may be pitched toward the roadway; however, in no instance shall a driveway have a pitch toward the roadway of greater than one inch (1") per foot, unless adequate provisions have been made and approved by the Highway Superintendent for the diversion of driveway surface runoff away from the roadway. The Highway Superintendent may require methods of diversion for driveways having a pitch of less than one inch (1") per foot if the proposed driveway construction will result in an excess accumulation of surface water in the way.

K. Driveways should be located to the best advantage to alignment with the way, profile, sight distance conditions and the like. In no instance shall the driveway intersect the way at less than a sixty (60) degree angle.

V. Exceptions

No permit shall be required for:

A. driveways already in existence, except for significant alterations; and

B. driveways reviewed by municipal boards under other existing regulations or bylaws.

VI. Continuing responsibility of owners

Abutting property owners shall be responsible for keeping culverts under their driveways cleared and for maintaining driveways in condition conforming to the requirements of the permit and to the intent and spirit of this regulation. Driveways already in existence on the effective date of this regulation shall be maintained by the abutting property owners in their best pre-existing condition.

VII. Waiver

Strict compliance with the requirements of this regulation may be waived by the Board of Selectmen when in the judgment of the Board such action is in the public interest and not in opposition to the intent of the regulation.

VII. Violations

The penalty for violation of this Bylaw shall be a fine of \$300.00 for the first violation. Upon notification the owner shall have 60 days to correct said violation; if not corrected a \$100.00 per day fine will be imposed. The enforcing agent shall be the Zoning Enforcement officer.

BYLAW 18

The Office of the Treasurer/Collector, shall pay all fees received by said officer by virtue of said officer's office to the town treasurer for deposit into the General Fund of the Town, as allowed under M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21, Clause 13. (effective 8/29/98)

BYLAW 19

All septic systems which rely on "Tight" tanks must have installed an alarm system which is triggered when the tank is 65% full and a 2nd alarm system which automatically shuts off water supply to the house when the waste water level reaches 90% of the tank's capacity.

BYLAW 20

SELECT BOARD TERMS OF OFFICE: In May, 1999, one member shall be elected for a three year term, one for a two year term, and one for a one year term. Thereafter, beginning with the election in May, 2000, and each year thereafter, each expiring term shall be filled by a three year term.

BYLAW 21 Right-to-Farm

Section 1 Purpose and Intent

The Town of Egremont finds that farming is an essential and valued activity, which provides fresh food, clean air, economic diversity, local employment, and open spaces to all the citizens of our town. This bylaw is intended to encourage the pursuit of agriculture, promote agricultural-based economic and employment opportunities, and protect farmland within the Town of Egremont. The purpose is to allow agricultural uses and related activities to function in harmony with the community, town agencies and others. This bylaw shall apply to all jurisdictional areas within the Town.

This bylaw restates with emphasis the right to farm accorded to all citizens of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as stated under the Constitution and General Laws and Regulations, including but not limited to Article 97, of the Constitution, Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 3, Paragraph 1: (The Zoning Act) Chapter 90, Section 9, Chapter 111, Section 125A and Chapter 128, Section 1A.

Section 2 Definitions

“Farm” shall include any parcel or contiguous parcels of land, or water bodies used for the primary purpose of commercial agriculture, or accessory thereto. “Farm” shall include youth related agricultural activities, such as but not limited to 4-H.

“Farming” or “agriculture” shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- * Farming in all its branches and the cultivation and tillage of the soil
- * Dairying
- * Orchards
- * Production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of any agricultural, aquacultural, floricultural, viticultural, or horticultural commodities
- * Growing and harvesting of forest products upon forest land, and any other forestry or lumbering operations
- * Raising of livestock including horses
- * Keeping of horses as a commercial enterprise and
- * Keeping and raising of poultry, sheep, goats, swine, cattle, ratites (such as emus, ostrich and rheas) and camelids (such as llamas and camels), and other domesticated animals for food and other agricultural purposes, including bees and fur-bearing animals

“Farming” shall encompass activities including, but not limited to, the following:

- * Operation and transportation of slow-moving farm equipment over roads within the Town
- * Control of pests, including, but not limited to, insects, weeds, predators and disease organisms of plants and animals
- * Application of manure, fertilizers and pesticides
- * Conducting agriculture-related educational and farm-based recreational activities, including agritourism, provided that the activities are related to marketing the agricultural output or services of the farm
- * Processing and packaging of the agricultural output of the farm and the operation of a farmer’s market or farm stand including signage thereto
- * Maintenance, repair, or storage of seasonal equipment, or apparatus owned or leased by the farm owner or manager used expressly for the purpose of propagation, processing, management, or sale of the agricultural products
- * On-farm relocation of earth and the clearing of ground for farming operations
- * Revitalizing drainage or irrigation ditches, picking stone, erecting, repairing or maintaining fences, and clearing, rejuvenating and maintaining pastures and
- * Herding of livestock from area to area, including along roads

Section 3 Right To Farm Declaration

The Right to Farm is hereby recognized to exist within the Town of Egremont. The above-described agricultural activities may occur on holidays, weekdays, and weekends by night or day and shall include the attendant incidental noise, odors, dust and fumes associated with normally accepted agricultural practices. It is hereby determined that whatever impact may be caused to others through the normal practice of agriculture is more than offset by the benefits of farming to the neighborhood, community, and society in general. The benefits and protections of this By-law are intended to apply exclusively to those agricultural and farming operations and activities conducted in accordance with generally accepted agricultural practices. For any agricultural practice, in determining the reasonableness of the time, place, and methodology of such practice, consideration shall be given

to both traditional customs and procedures, as well as to new practices and innovations. Moreover, nothing in this Right to Farm By-law shall be deemed as acquiring any interest in land. The protections contained in this by-law do not replace any applicable zoning or legal restrictions associated with agricultural operations.

Section 4 Notification to Real Estate Buyers

In order to allow prospective purchasers to make informed decisions prior to a real estate transaction and to promote harmony between farmers and their new neighbors after a transaction, the Town of Egremont requests selling landholders and/or their agents (and assigns) to provide written notice to prospective purchasers substantially as follows:

“It is the policy of the Town of Egremont to conserve, protect and encourage the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other agricultural products, and also for its natural and ecological value. This disclosure notification is to inform buyers that the property they are about to acquire lies within a town where farming activities occur. Such farming activities may include, but are not limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors. Purchasing, and henceforth occupying land within Egremont means that one should expect and accept such conditions as a normal and necessary aspect of living in Egremont.”

Written notification may occur in one of several ways including but not limited to a disclosure form, addendum to a Purchase and Sale Agreement and should include an acknowledgment by the buyer that they have received notification.

Within 30 days after this by-law becomes effective the Board of Selectmen shall make available for use by selling landowners or their agents (and assigns) copies of example written notifications.

Within 30 days after this by-law becomes effective, The Board of Selectmen shall prominently place in the Town Hall the above disclosure.

Within 30 days after this by-law becomes effective the Tax Collector shall include a copy of the above disclosure with responses to requests for Municipal Lien Certificates.

Section 5 Resolution of Complaints

Any person having a complaint about a farm activity or practice is encouraged to seek an amicable resolution to the complaint, including talking directly with the involved farmer. Such person may, notwithstanding pursuing any other available remedy, request resolution assistance from the Board of Selectmen. Such a request does not suspend the time within which to pursue any other available remedies. The Board of Selectmen may appoint a panel of at least three individuals, to include representation from farmers, or refer such request to an Egremont Agricultural Commission, should one exist. Said panel or Agricultural Commission shall review and facilitate the resolution of such a request, and report its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen within the agreed upon time frame.

Section 6 Severability Clause

If any part of this By-law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this By-law. The Town of Egremont hereby declares the provisions of this By-law to be severable.

Agricultural Commission

There shall be an Agricultural Commission to address agricultural matters and represent agricultural

interests in the Town of Egremont.

The mission of the Egremont Agricultural Commission shall be to:

- * Encourage the pursuit of agriculture in the Town, both as a business and as a community resource
- * Promote the protection and preservation of farms and farmland
- * Promote agricultural-based economic opportunities
- * Articulate agriculture-related planning needs
- * Advise other Town Boards and commissions on activities pertaining to agricultural lands in Town
- * Act as an educator and negotiator in agricultural matters
- * Promote the visibility and vitality of farming in Egremont

The Commission shall consist of five members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. At least three of the members shall be actively engaged in agriculture, and the remainder shall be interested in agriculture. The diversity of agriculture in Egremont shall be recognized in choosing the Commission members. The initial terms for the first members of the Commission shall be three years for two members, two years for two members, and one year for one member. Thereafter, the term of each member shall be three years. Vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Selectmen in such a manner as to maintain the cycle of appointments, based on the recommendations of the Commission.

BYLAW 22

All Town of Egremont property tax payers have the same right to speak at the Town's Annual Meeting and all other town meetings as those who are registered to vote in the Town of Egremont, subject to the right of the Egremont Town Moderator to maintain order at Town Meetings.

BYLAW 23

STRETCH ENERGY CODE

"Stretch Energy Code" for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereof, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk.

BYLAW 24

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

1. Purpose. This by-law establishes and authorizes revolving funds for use by town, departments, boards, committees, agencies and officers in connection with the operation of programs or activities that generate fees, charges or other receipts to support all or some of the expenses of those programs or activities. These revolving funds are established under and governed by General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½.
2. Expenditure Limitations. A department or agency head, board, committee or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law

without appropriation subject to the following limitations:

A. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund.

B. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.

C. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by Annual Town Meeting on or before July 1 of that fiscal year, or any increased amount of that authorization that is later approved during that fiscal year by the Selectboard and Finance Committee.

3. Interest. Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the general fund.

4. Procedures and Reports. Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½ and this by-law, the laws, charter provisions, by-laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures that govern the receipt and custody of town monies and the expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law. The Town Accountant shall include a statement on the collections credited to the fund, the encumbrances and expenditures charged to each fund and the balance available for expenditure in the regular report the Town Accountant provides the department, board, committee, agency or officer on appropriations made for its use.

5. Authorized Revolving Funds. The Table establishes:

A. Each revolving fund authorized for use by a town department, board, committee, agency or officer,

B. The department or agency head, board, committee or officer authorized to spend from each fund,

C. The fees, charges and other monies charged and received by the department, board, committee, agency or officer in connection with the program or activity for which the fund is established that shall be credited to each fund by the Town Accountant,

D. The expenses of the program or activity for which each fund may be used,

E. Any restrictions or conditions on expenditures from each fund;

F. The fiscal years each fund shall operate under this by-law.

A , Revolving Fund	B Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer Authorized to Spend from Fund	C Fees, Charges or Other Receipts Credited to Fund	D Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund	E Restriction s or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund	F Fiscal Years
French Park	Board of Selectmen and Buildings & Grounds	Donations received for use of the park	Expenses to operate the park	No wages	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent
Home Compost Bins	Board of Selectmen and Sustainability Coordinator	Proceeds from sale of bins	Purchase of new bins to replenish supply		Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent

A Revolving Fund	B Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer Authorized to Spend from Fund	C Fees, Charges or Other Receipts Credited to Fund	D Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund	E Restriction s or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund	F Fiscal Years
Zoning Board of Appeals	Zoning Board of Appeals	Special permit application fees	Expenses associated with special permit applications/hearings (advertising, mailings)	No wages	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent
Dog License & donations fund	Town Clerk	Fees charged for licensing of dogs & donations for use of Dog Park	Purchase of dog licenses, expenses related to issuing dog licenses, fees to Town Clerk, expenses at dog park (i.e poop removal, fence repairs, etc.)	No wages	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent
Inspector Wages	Wiring, Plumbing & Gas Inspectors	Fees charged and received by the inspectors for electrical, gas and plumbing inspections	Salaries or wages of inspectors performing electrical, gas and plumbing inspections and other serviced related to those inspections	Does not include Building or Health Inspectors or their expenses	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent
Compostable Materials	Green Committee and Sustainability Coordinator	Charges for selling compostable materials	Purchase of new compostable materials: plates, cups, plastic wear, table covers, etc.	No wages	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent
Recycling Proceeds	Board of Selectmen and Sustainability Coordinator	Proceeds from sale of containers, papers, metals	Expenses related to trash and recycling programs. Purchase of equipment related to trash and recycling programs.		Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent
Planning Board	Planning Board	Special permit application fees	Expenses associated with special permit applications/hearings (advertising, mailings)		Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent
French Park Dog Park	Board of Selectmen and Trustees of French Park	Donations from users of the dog park	Expenses related to the dog park: repairs, poop removal, containers	No wages	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors, along with our assessing staff provided under contract by Regional Resource Group, continue to assure the fair taxation of all Egremont properties.

The Board of Assessors continues to organize and update assessment records, including real and personal property, as well as protected land. Other efforts included inspecting property after building permits are processed and auditing property files for accuracy and completeness.

Our Board strives to build and maintain good public relations. We provide our residents with:

1. pertinent information by placing notices in the Egremont newsletter covering topics such as property tax abatement information, statutory exemptions for veterans, legally blind and our elderly property owners, and specialty properties including Forest, Agricultural, and Recreational land.
2. abutters lists required for property permits,
3. mailings to those eligible for special tax classification and exemptions,
4. assistance in completing forms for residents who are eligible for exemptions.
5. current property ownership information by processing registered deeds, name and address changes,
6. motor vehicle excise abatements,
7. information on a host of tax and property assessment issues.

As the town's principal revenue generator, the Assessors are constantly on the lookout for properties subject to taxation. We seek to enhance tax revenues by:

8. identifying second homeowners whose household furnishings are subject to taxation; along with businesses that have inventory or fixtures that may be taxable. We have added several parcels to the Personal Property tax records that had previously not been inventoried;
9. making sure that new construction is monitored and assessed, and that property given a certificate of occupancy is taxed at the fully assessed value;
10. reviewing prior years' deeds to verify current property values;
11. monitoring individual assessments to insure that abatements are kept to a minimum, and
12. assuring that all requests for abatements are reasonable and properly processed.

Other office activities included:

1. photographing structures and attaching those photos to computerized assessment records,
2. processing land divisions,
3. reviewing and processing abatement requests,
4. processing personal property forms and chapter land applications,
5. preparing various Department of Revenue reports.

Our GIS mapping system is available online through the Town's website.

Our office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9AM-12Noon. We and our Regional Assessor from RRG are also available by appointment. Residents can contact us by e-mail at assessors@egremont-ma.gov or by phone at 413-528 0182, Extension 14. Current property information can be accessed at our website: www.egremont-ma.gov/boa.html

**Town of Egremont
Information**

Total Parcels	1165
Total Acres	13,060.55
Acres in Agriculture	2126.77
Owners of Agr. Land	55
# of Agr. Parcels	74
Market value Agr. land	\$24,732,700
Chapter Land Parcels	74
61 (Forest)	17
61A (Agriculture)	55
61B (Recreation)	2
Businesses	58
Single family residences	770
Multiple	20
Vacant	219
Commercial	15
Non-profit organizations*	13

Forms Processed

Abutters lists	8
Auto Excise abatements	107
Building Permits	107
Chapter Land forms	66
New Deeds Processed	77
Personal Property forms	290
Statutory Abatements	
Veterans	11
Surviving Spouse	2
Gold Star Parent	1
Seniors	1

***Non-Profit Organizations:**

Name	Parcels	Acres
Appalachian Trail Conservancy	6	125.17
USA Appalachian Trail	10	195.53
Berkshire Natural Resources	1	50
Berkshire Village	1	10.6
Blue Rider Stable	3	12.15
Churches	1	1.10
Egremont Land Trust	7	77.07
Mt Everett Reservation	1	16
Mt. Everett Cemetery Association	1	2.77
Nature Conservancy	9	143.76
Town of Egremont and Egremont Fire Department	18	541.76
United States of America	6	95.23
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	22	2798.63

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER

During the fiscal year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 a total of 107 permits were issued.

The permit fees collected and turned over to the Treasurer were \$35,348.00 based on \$6,016,896.00 of construction as follows:

New Dwellings	4
Additions & Alternations	56
Decks & Porches	11
Accessory Structures & Garages	7
Wood Stove	6
Solar Installation	6
Roofs & Repairs	17

Respectfully submitted,

Ned Baldwin,
Building Commissioner



(Site of the old chapel at French Park -
Photo courtesy of Tom Reynolds.)

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

Egremont Cemetery Commissions welcomed John H. Wells of Boice Road to our commission following the town election of this past May. John is a member of the Egremont Fire Company and is retired from AT & T. We are glad John stepped up to run for commissioner.

The commission bids fare-thee-well to Henry D. Granger of McGee Road. Henry has served the town in many roles, most notably as Cemetery Commissioner for 39 years. We very much appreciate his work and look to him for guidance as we move forward this year and into the future.

Respectfully submitted

David D. Campbell Chr.
Herman J. Trudean, Jr
John H. Wells



(Hillside Cemetery)



(Riverside Cemetery)



(Town House Hill Cemetery)

All photos courtesy of John Wells

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This past year has been no exception—busy, busy, busy.

Does this opening look like a repeat from last year's report? Well, yes. New? How about 25 public hearings and 37 site visits.

Of course there are the numerous projects and public hearings dealing with everyday issues such as buffer zones along small, sometimes intermittent, streams, septic tank replacements and such. This past fiscal year we've dealt with the usual activity around Prospect Lake with a house tear-down/replacement to minor deck issues. We have and still are dealing with projects involving Karner Brook and the Green River. As one might expect, these are the most complex. Yet, working with property owners and the State DEP we've been able to agree upon solutions.

Regarding projects of any level of complexity, we want to reiterate a procedure to start a project—a Project Review form--available on the Town website under Misc. Forms or at Town Hall on the shelves outside the ConCom Office. This form now is *required* for the ConCom to discuss any project outside of formal DEP filings. The form is similar to ones used by Commissions in neighboring towns.

A note about our Commission. For several months this past summer we were lucky to have as a Commission member Logan Malik, a then recent graduate of George Washington University, who later was awarded a scholarship at Cambridge University (England), where he is now pursuing a Master's Degree. He requested a Leave of Absence from the Commission, instead of resigning. We look forward to his return next spring. Meanwhile, we are always looking for new Commission members. Currently, we have only three of the designated five seats filled, which means if one of us can't make a scheduled meeting, no official business can occur. We're always trying to attract younger members, and in this regard we've signed up with BCC's Career website.

A reminder that the best way to reach us is at ConCom-egremont.ma.gov. Emails to this address are automatically sent to all members of the ConCom, ensuring someone will be able to respond promptly to your inquiry, if a specific individual is not available.

Sincerely,

Bill Tynan, ECC Chairman

Alina Hsu, Secretary

David Seligman, Commissioner

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

Bruce Bernstein, Chairman
Chet Delaney
Eve Goldberg
Georgette Kinney
Helen Krancer
Carolyn Palmucci
Peg Muskrat, Coordinator

Throughout this past year the focus of the COA has been (and continues to be) reaching out and contacting our seniors to determine their needs and wants. Phone calls and personal contacts were made to establish relationships with our seniors and to offer assistance. Our focus was also on helping our seniors remain safe in their own homes. We strove to identify the needs of our older population and work on solutions to their issues.

In conjunction with Chief Josephson and the Egremont Police Department we implemented a program called "Good Morning, Senior". Seniors who choose to participate in the program call in to a designated number mornings between 9:00 and 10:00 and speak with one of volunteers to ensure they are OK. If they don't check in, we call them. If they don't answer we contact the person they designated as an emergency contact. If no response we will dispatch a police officer to their home to be sure they are safe.

Sociability is also important for the well being of our older population. We implemented a monthly "Coffee Hour" at Mom's Café in South Egremont. Seniors meet for conversations on a variety of subjects of interest to them. It's just a time to relax, meet other seniors and have some laughs and good conversations.

COA continues to hold monthly luncheons on the first Wednesday of each month, October thru June, at the Egremont Village Inn. Our October gathering was the annual birthday celebration to honor those turning 90 and all our 90 plus seniors. Other monthly luncheon programs included a drawing class by Eunice Agar, a cooking demonstration by Bob Climo, Fire Safety presented by members of the Egremont Fire Department, and ways to prevent scamming offered by Egremont Police Chief Eric Josephson.

June saw our annual picnic lunch at French Park. For those who were interested there was a one mile walk around the park. Liz Keen, from Indian Line Farm, gave us some gardening tips and offered plants to all.

Our Annual Holiday Party was held in December, also at the EVI. "Sandy and Sandy", Mt. Washington's dynamic duo, thoroughly entertained us with a great variety of well known tunes.

We also had a special event..."The Battle of the Baritones". The performers were John Cheek (Egremont resident and international opera singer), Michael Riley (NY Bass Baritone Singer),

and Robert Kopelson (international pianist and vocal coach). We are so fortunate to have such wonderful talent available to us and it was an amazing afternoon of music.

Since we know falls are dangerous for Seniors and our Berkshire winters can pose many hazards, we started a program called “Sand for Seniors” Small buckets of sand are available for pick up at the Town Hall from November thru March. We also deliver them to those unable to pick them up.

Our world of technology is everchanging and we work to offer our Seniors opportunities to learn about the latest innovations. Liz Jaffe taught numerous iPad/iPhone classes this summer and fall. We will also offer winter computer classes.

Staying healthy is important to all of us. David Katzenstein, Egremont Fire Department volunteer, has generously offered his time and expertise to teach CPR and First Aid Classes. This is an ongoing community program available to all, not just seniors.

Staying agile and mobile is also important to our Seniors. All exercise programs in Gt. Barrington (Claire Teague Senior Center, Simon’s Rock), Sheffield (Senior Center) and South Egremont Congregational Church are open to all Seniors in South County Towns. All of these exercise programs are reasonably priced. Check the Flyer you received from the COA in September for a detailed schedule or call 528-0182 x24 to request one.

As part of staying safe, COA has “Be Seen, Be Safe” vests available. We worked with AGE Triad to create brightly colored vests to increase visibility for safe walking and hiking on our scenic roads. These vests are available at the Town Hall and the Egremont Police Department. They are free so please get one and be safe!

Egremont is a participating member of the Southern Berkshire Elderly Transportation Corporation (S.B.E.T.C.) based in Gt. Barrington. Our Seniors can call for rides (413 528-4773) and for a \$10.00 round trip fee go anywhere in South County. Round trip fares farther north are \$15.00.

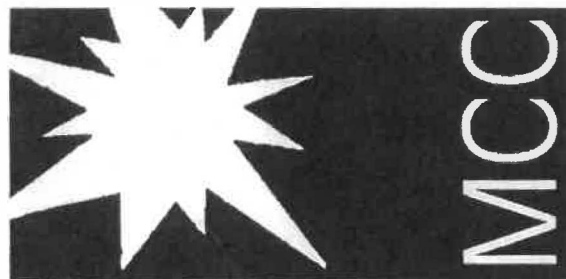
Your COA actively participates on the boards of the Southern Berkshire Elderly Transportation Council, the Egremont Emergency Management Team, AGE Triad, the Advisory Council of Elder Services, the Berkshire County Regional Coordinating Council Human Service Transportation Office, and the Board of the BRTA



REPORT OF THE ALFORD-EGREMONT CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Alford-Egremont Cultural Council is funded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council and works closely with the State Agency. We have strict guidelines for accepting grant applications and each member must undergo online training to understand the state requirements. The committee presently consists of 9 members, 3 are from Alford. Members serve for 6 year terms.

This year we were awarded \$8,800 from the state and had an additional \$920 in our unspent account (several approved proposals did not occur). We received 30 applications for grants and approved 25 of them for a total of \$9,720. Applications approved were for local, community enriching events. Not all projects were fully funded in order to stretch the funds to as many applications as possible. The local 4-H Club, the Boots and Bridles, received aid to compensate for their annual dues. The Cultural Council grants brought hands-on arts and science programs and a sculpture workshop to our local schools. Trips by students to Plimoth Plantation and the Berkshire Botanical Gardens were sponsored. Local children received scholarships to attend choral and performance groups. Local cultural groups – Berkshire Playwright Lab, Aston Magna Foundation and Music in Common – received grants to introduce live theater and music to local children and for the enjoyment of adults. Adult programming also included support for a variety of activities such as a ukulele band and a presentation on ceramics. In addition, the Cultural Council helped fund the Alford's Dancing in the District, Mount Everett Middle and High School World Language Celebration and the Blue Rider Circus.



massculturalcouncil.org

REPORT OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM

The Egremont Emergency Management Team consisting of the Emergency Management Director, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Board of Health, Highway Superintendent and several other citizens, meets monthly throughout the year. Federally mandated National Incident Management System training is accomplished as courses are updated and new personnel are added. Monthly meetings of the Southern Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee are attended by several members; we also meet with National Grid to keep informed about winter storm procedures and power outages from storms.

Our range of seasons provides opportunities to exercise pre-planning efforts. As a result of several lost persons calls, new procedures have been implemented for incident response and command decisions.

Emergency Management Planning Grants were used to update resources, including new radios and generators.

The Town's emergency telephone alert system has been used for several calls regarding road closures, water main repairs, meeting announcements and other timely issues with good feedback. It is reviewed and updated monthly.

The TEEM continues to work closely with the Alford Egremont Great Barrington TRIAD to provide planning and information for senior citizens as well as those in our town with special needs.

The Egremont Emergency Management Team also meets with other Town Boards as necessary and thanks them for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward G. McCormick
Emergency Management Director



(The Egremont Firemen let the Boy Scouts play with a fire truck when the boys camped at French Park this past summer)

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The primary responsibility of the Finance Committee is to make recommendations to town residents on all financial matters that come before the town, including the budget presented at town meeting.

At the May 2017 annual town meeting, Egremont voters approved an operating budget of \$2,563,979 for the 2017-2018 fiscal year ("FY18"), an increase of 3.2% over fiscal year 2016-2017 ("FY17"). Townspeople also approved \$52,566 for school bond repayment. The school operating and transportation budget (\$1,511,376) and school capital budget (\$47,676) were defeated but subsequently approved at a special town meeting in June 2017. The school budget and bond payment total \$1,611,618, an increase of 1.5% over the FY17 school budget due primarily to the school bond payment. The total line item budget for FY18 is \$4,175,597, an increase of \$102,753 or 2.5% overall.

In addition to the line item budget, voters also approved special articles totaling \$467,469:

1. \$251,816 for the Water Department (comprised of \$210,000 from user fees, \$31,394 from Water Department retained earnings and \$10,422 from a town taxpayer subsidy.)
2. \$19,000 to resurface a portion of the Water Department driveway to its plant
3. \$25,000 for town hall repairs
4. \$9,000 to paint the salt shed
5. \$8,500 to make safety repairs at French Park
6. \$30,000 for a tractor for the Highway Department
7. \$35,153 for a new police vehicle
8. \$9,000 to purchase street name signs (required by Federal Highway Administration Department)
9. \$5,000 as a donation to the Friends of Prospect Lake
10. \$4,000 MACRS historic listings (this years' installment of \$40,000 over 10 years)
11. \$1,000 to restore books and ledgers
12. \$15,000 to fund the GASB Stabilization Fund (to help pay for future health benefits)
13. \$55,000 to Stabilization Fund (to bolster our reserves)

Balances in reserve accounts after the annual town meeting were (a) Free Cash \$43,787, (b) Stabilization Fund \$454,164 and (c) Reserve Fund \$25,000. Free Cash was then certified adding in FY18's numbers by the Department of Revenue in August of 2018 as \$349,771. Water Department Free Cash was certified at \$20,913.

Our reserves as of June 30, 2018 totaled \$522,951, 8% of the town's budget, which is within the range of the 6 to 10% of a town's total budget recommended as best practice.

The tax rate for FY18 was \$9.62 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, a rate increase of 3% over FY17.

Salaries (including collective bargaining), wages and fringe benefits totaled \$1,443,692, a decrease of 1% from FY17. These costs are approximately 36% of our total operating budget.

The Police Department operating budget (including collective bargaining and the debt payment on the police facility) totaled \$410,789. Computer expenses, maintenance expenses, insurance for the chief and employees (included in insurance premiums) totaled approximately \$100,000. When other incidentals are added in, the Police Department costs nearly \$500,000 a year to run. As noted above, a new cruiser for our Police Department was also approved.

The Highway Department budget, including collective bargaining, totaled \$549,670. Snow and Ice was over budget by \$70,968. It should be noted that snow and ice expenditures may also be used to repair and maintain our trucks and plows. Our selectmen, in concert with the highway superintendent, authorized studies to determine the condition of the roads in Egremont by the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, one in 2014 and one in 2016. It is very likely that monies in addition to the Chapter 90 highway funds we receive from the state each year will be needed for road maintenance and repair. The Department also received approval for a new or used tractor.

In municipal accounting jargon, "Free Cash" is the total of funds not expended and revenues in excess of estimated receipts as of the end of a fiscal year. "Raise and appropriate" means money from real estate and personal property taxes. A "Stabilization Fund" accumulates amounts for capital and other future spending purposes that may be appropriated (for any lawful purpose) by a two-thirds vote at town meeting. Free Cash and Stabilization funds are types of "available funds" and are frequently appropriated to meet unforeseen expenses or capital expenditures, or for other one-time costs. "Reserve Fund" is a fund to cover unforeseen or unexpected expenses. Historically, the town approves \$25,000 for the Reserve Fund. If something so catastrophic as to exceed available reserve funds should arise, the Finance Committee believes a special town meeting should be called to deal with it.

On the liability side, the town's outstanding debt (including interest) as of June 30, 2018 totaled \$470,020, and is comprised of debt for the Water Department of approximately \$393,000, for the police facility of \$158,850, and for a fire truck of \$61,170.

In 2016, the town meeting authorized borrowing \$2,940,000 to apply toward the costs of building a broadband network to provide internet service to Egremonters. A portion of that amount was and still is to be funded by the Mass Broadband Institute. It was expected that Charter Communications (Spectrum) would build and operate the network, but the selectmen have recently voted to terminate negotiations with Charter. In the meantime, a local broadband company named Fiber Connect is also bringing fiber optic internet to our town, without financial support from the Mass Broadband Institute. How much Egremont may be required to spend to bring internet/broadband to the entire town remains unknown.

A Special Town Meeting was held in June 2017, at which time the townspeople voted:

1. \$1,511,376 to fund its share of the FY18 Southern Berkshire Regional School District ("SBRSD") operating and transportation costs and \$47,676 to fund its share of the SBRSD capital costs, expenditures which the voters had defeated at the May 2017 meeting
2. 55,000 to purchase a new one-ton dump truck for the Highway Department
3. \$3,700 additional monies toward purchase of a police cruiser (from Free Cash)

The voters defeated a move to appropriate \$535,500 for the first half of the costs of engineering and construction expenses associated with the reconstruction of Mount Washington Road.

Another Special Town Meeting was held in March 2018, at which time the townspeople voted:

1. \$14,700 for additional funds for the Police Chief's salary
2. \$5,700 for a new voting tabulator
3. Another \$75,000 to fund repairs to the South Egremont School

Respectfully submitted,

The Finance Committee for July 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2018 (FY18)

Laura Allen, Chairman
Thomas Berkel, Secretary
Edward (Rocky) Scarbro

Michael Bandzierz, Vice Chairman
Ralph Noveck
Steve Rawlings



(Rainbow looking from Town Hall window-
photo courtesy Sue Funk.)

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Roster

Chief Joseph Schneider

Deputy Chiefs William Turner and James Olmsted

Captain Jim Golden
Captain David Guidi
Lt. Paul Sierau
Lt. Roger Meyer
Gregory Peck
Lane Farnum
Bruce Turner
Roger Bailey
Vincent Murphy

David Katzenstein
John H. Wells
Tom Sierau
Robert Brown
Kevin Wheeler
Herman Trudeau Sr.
Ed Rossi
Emma Hobson

The members of the Egremont Fire Department meet at least every Tuesday for training, maintenance of equipment and organizational meetings. We additionally train as a group with neighboring departments. Some individual members participated in surface/swift water rescue and rope rescue training with the Mass Fire Academy for several days. A core group trains in rope rescue skills several times a month. We continually refresh our First Responder Medical training including the use of Naloxone and Epi pens. Chief Schneider continues his Code Enforcement classes. Chief Schneider, Captain Golden and Lt. Sierau participated in a very intense 4 day officers class.

We have had another very busy year. There were over 200 responses to calls for help in fiscal year 2018. We prepared the specifications and ordered the new Rescue Truck, which will be here in September of 2019. Several days of meetings with manufacturer's went into the process. Lots of changes and great ideas went in to the process to get us the best truck to functionally work for us and help protect our community when seconds count. We are very grateful to the taxpayers of the town for being supportive of the Egremont Fire Department.

We still occasionally encounter homes without clearly displayed 911 signs. We also encourage all homeowners, particularly those with reporting alarms, to purchase a Knox Box. Knox Boxes eliminate the need for us to use force to gain entry to your home if an emergency occurs and no one is available to let us in. Information regarding 911 signs and Knox Boxes is available at Town Hall.

We are always looking for new recruits. We are looking for motivated, disciplined men and women. Firefighting is a challenging opportunity to serve your community. If you think that you have what it takes to be a firefighter, please join us any Tuesday evening at either firehouse. We serve with pride.

We thank you for your continued support and hope that we all have a safe year.

Calls	7/1-12/31/ 2017	1/1-6/31 2018
Medical	42	40
MVA	6	9
Search	5	3
Rescue	6	4
Structure Fire	2	3
Chimney Fire	2	0
Vehicle Fire	0	0
Appliance fire	1	0
CO Alarm	5	2
Smoke Alarm	0	5
False Alarm	35	21
Outside Fire	0	2
Service call/Other	7	7
Tree Wire Pole	2	0
Chief Calls	0	2
Mutual Aid	3	2
Totals	116	100



REPORT OF THE GREEN COMMITTEE

Richard Allen, Susan Bachelder, Corinna Barnard, Emily Eyre, Robin Goldberg, Juliette Haas, Pat Konecky, and Marj Wexler (rotating chair)

In April, we held our 10th annual Egremont Recycles Day. More than 87 volunteers scoured all 41 miles of roads in Egremont to pick up roadside trash. More than 100 bags, totaling more than 937 pounds, were brought to Green Committee members for sorting and recycling. That evening, our thank-you pizza party (paid for by the returned bottles and cans) at the South Egremont Congregational Church was enjoyed by all volunteers who attended. Join us in April 2019 for the 11th annual event!

Our series of almost-monthly articles in the Berkshire Edge continues. The 2018 articles covered subjects such as “wishful” recycling (dropping items into the Recycle Bin that we *wish* were recyclable but are not), increasing our use of renewable energy to combat climate change, the reduction of the tonnage of solid waste (aka regular trash) in Egremont, and Egremont’s adoption of a pollinator-friendly resolution at our annual town meeting.

One member has been involved with the Berkshire Green Committees Network. She keeps us informed of their activities.

We have a continuing relationship with Goodwill Industries, which helps keep reusable items out of the trash stream, and we look forward to having, with state help, a bin to recycle mattresses at the Transfer Station.

A year ago, after Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, our Sustainability Coordinator began to collect redeemable bottles & cans at the Transfer Station, with proceeds going to hurricane recovery efforts. The Green Committee continued the work for another 10 months, trying to engage nonprofits on a monthly basis in exchange for the proceeds. Unfortunately, finding volunteers proved to be a challenge, and ultimately we had to give it up.

The household composting bin at the Transfer Station continues to be popular, and much of this relatively heavy component of trash is diverted from landfills. Residents take home the final product to enrich their gardens. We are grateful to the Highway Department for their invaluable work in turning the compost piles.

The Green Committee has compostable tableware (plates, cups, utensils) available for residents to purchase for parties. We buy in bulk and sell at our cost. Call or email any of us for more information.

And finally, we enjoy providing the Eco-Tips for Egremont’s Town Newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,
Marj Wexler

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Charles Ogden, Chair
Dr. William Rose
Ellen Maggio
Jayne Smith, Alliance Health Agent

July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 was another active period for the Egremont Board of Health (EBoH). We continued to address the many public health issues that came our way and serve the residents of Egremont.

The town continued to employ the services of the Berkshire County Health Alliance (the Alliance) to perform the majority of our required field work. Alliance services provided Egremont with highly trained and experienced inspectors who cover the broad realm of the department's statutory responsibilities during the year. Title 5 related field work (percs, Title 5 witnessing, septic installation inspections, etc.), restaurant inspections and housing inspections require a great deal of study and certification from the inspector. Jayne Smith of the Alliance has been our primary field person for the past year and Egremont is extremely lucky to have her on board. Not only does Jayne possess the long list of certifications, but she is thorough and fair in her inspections ensuring the utmost in protecting the health and safety in our community. The Alliance also provides Egremont with the services of a public health nurse who organizes and administers our annual Flu Clinic and follows up on required disease surveillance through the state MAVEN system.

Employing the services of the Alliance has allowed the Director to provide more one-on-one time with members of the community and run the day to day operations of the department. The Director acted as the EBoH spokesperson at town board and committee meetings and as liaison to area contractors to schedule necessary field work. To that end, the EBoH is a well run department with organized records which often provided key information on a property as it pertains to location, description and age of wells and septic systems.

The EBoH continued to provide well and drinking water protection services. Septic systems, as described in the lengthy state Title 5 code, fall under EBoH purview. Every septic system installation or repair is fully reviewed by the board at one of the bi-monthly meetings. No two scenarios are the same and the board continues to strive for consistency and fairness in its decisions.

The board extensively updated the town's Tobacco Regulations by raising the age to purchase tobacco related products from 18 to 21 years of age. Since that time, the state adopted a similar measure in the legislature for all cities and towns. The town's Solid Waste Hauler Regulations were updated as well, making it mandatory that all garbage haulers in Egremont provide recycling services in their trash collecting.

The board issued approximately 25 food permits last year. This includes our restaurants, inns, B&Bs, retail food establishments, temporary food events, etc. The permitting process includes inspections of the facility and follow-up services in the event of a code violation. The board also

issued approximately 45 well and septic permits, either for new construction or upgrades or repairs to existing systems.

Preserve. Protect. Prevent. That continued to be at the heart of the focus of the Egremont Board of Health. With this in mind, we look forward to serving our residents in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliette Haas
Director



(Bear on Boice Road -
Photo courtesy of Sarah Verreli)

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

The Highway Department performed the annual grading and graveling of unpaved roads. Roadside drainage ditches were cleared and catch basins cleaned out. Storm clean-up of trees and branches was completed throughout the year. Roadside mowing and brush cutting along with weed-whacking was also performed. Guardrail was repaired along Route 71. Damaged or missing street signs were repaired or replaced. Line painting of roads was completed. Potholes were patched and blacktopped. Maintenance and repair of equipment was performed.

During the Winter months the roads were plowed, sanded and salted during and after each storm.

Reclamation and paving of Ox Bow Road was completed. Reclamation and paving of Baldwin Hill Road West from Phillips Road to Blunt Road was also completed. Total cost of these projects was \$170,000.

The Highway Department would like to thank all those who assisted the Department this year, including the Board of Selectmen, the Fire Department, the Police Department, Town Hall office personnel, the Maintenance Department and numerous contractors. Thank you all for your hard work.

Respectfully submitted,

James Noe
Egremont Highway Superintendent



(Hot Air Balloon at Prospect Lake -
Photo Courtesy of Nina DeLuca)

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Town of Egremont has seen some truly long term historic events this year. Most notably the re-construction of the foundation of the South Village School had all of south county driving by the "flying school" all Spring and Summer, culminating in a wonderful 243rd Town birthday party where both Sen. Adam Hinds and Rep. Smitty Pignatelli recognized our historic birthday and the value a small school can add to a child's educational experience. The Historic Commission was delighted to see ten years of hard work come to fruition in this town celebration of our unique village environments.

We now look forward to concentrating on our other historic buildings, the Mt. Everett Academy aka the Library, and sprucing up Town Hall. Having been built in the 1970's, the Town Hall is cuspig over into historic building territory. A new private home on the site of the Egremont Inn fire is adding additional charm to Sheffield road, and four new businesses on Rte 23 in our Historic Village District have enlivened the west end of town. The Commission would like to thank the owners of these businesses. Their presentations and discussions with the Commission to promote an harmonious visual have gone a long way to maintain the Town's visual integrity as an attractive and economically vibrant community.

Still in discussion is the transfer of the Kellogg farm's ownership from the ATC to Greenagers. While this historic property has many preservation restrictions on it, the Historical Commission has supported this transfer and looks forward to working with the new owners in their conservation and historic educational expansion on this historic site.

It is the intention of the Commission to continue to pursue a more active engagement with the EFD and the Library Commission to develop a preparedness plan that factors in the evacuation of the Historical Commissions objects and records.

The MACRIS upgrade is moving into its third year. With over 200 properties listed with the State as having historic interest, this resource cannot be underestimated. Lynn Wood and her daughter Beth introduced the Commission to their new business, a full presentation portfolio tracing a house's ownership from original deeds, using both MACRIS and other sources. The results were sensational and the Commission appreciated knowing about this use of historic resources.

Also, as the Mass. DOT begins the renovation of Rte 23, the historical commission will follow closely the lighting and configuration of sidewalks to support our National Register Historic District designation, two areas that clearly degraded the historic impact of our neighbor Great Barrington.

We have had several resignations and new members join us this year. The Commission thanks Nic Cooper and Margaret Cherin for their service.

REPORT OF THE EGREMONT FREE LIBRARY

Egremont Free Library is a welcoming place for community members to gather. We offer the latest novels, non-fiction titles, DVDs, children's books and audio books. Patrons and visitors also have access to 24/7 high speed internet. We have a computer with a large, wide screen HD monitor. Two computers are available to patrons for personal and work use. A cozy "nook" area with a rocking chair and comfortable reading chair are available to those who would like to enjoy some quiet time while visiting. There is also a work table for those who need some privacy while working on their computer/device.

New families have moved into the area and/or grandparents are visiting with their grandchildren. There is a fun kids area with Legos, puzzles, Calico Critters, a doll house, Thomas the Tank Engine trains and finger puppets, and of course books! There are new children's "play" area rugs for more imaginative play as well as new building toys for children ages three and up.

Our non-fiction book club meets regularly. This year's books were *Hidden Life of Trees* by Peter Wohlleben; *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren; *Cutting for Stone* (fiction) by Abraham Verghese; *Uncle Tungsten* by Oliver Sacks; *Bears in the Street: Three Journeys Across a Changing Russia* by Lisa Dickey.

In November of 2018, Egremont Free Library teamed up with Mount Washington library to offer a day trip to the New England Historic Genealogical Society in Boston, MA for a tour of the society and a presentation on how to start researching family ancestry.

Lesliann regularly helps several patrons download audio and ebooks via C/W MARS digital library and Boston Public Library onto their personal devices. She has helped patrons on several devices including Kindles, Nooks, iPads, iPhones and Kobos.

EFL offers museum passes to several area cultural attractions, which have been widely used by patrons. Passes to Norman Rockwell Museum, Chesterwood, The Clark Museum, Berkshire Museum, Hancock Shaker Village, and Mass MoCA are available throughout the year.

Membership to the Central Western Massachusetts Automated Resource Sharing C/W MARS network has brought new patrons to Egremont Free Library. Egremont home owners who frequent other area libraries discovered EFL offers many "in demand" books and DVDs. As a reminder, with membership to C/W MARS, patrons may order items online and have them sent to EFL's location rather than sending them to Sheffield or Great Barrington. As always, Lesliann is happy to order books for patrons if they would rather order interlibrary loan books at the library rather than online. Also, patrons may now order audio books and e-books on their devices via C/W MARS. Another huge benefit is the ability to return books from other libraries to EFL's drop box outside the library. For example, if you have items from Mason Library and you would rather not fight the traffic in Great Barrington, you may drop your items in the "drop box" at EFL located at 1 Buttonball Lane in South Egremont. The items are checked in at EFL and delivered to Mason Library.

All are welcome to visit Egremont Free Library during library hours on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 2 to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Francine Groener
Library Trustee Chair

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Personnel: Don Pulfer, Chairman; Helen Krancer, Vice Chairwoman; Lucinda Vermeulen, Clerk;

Ed Regendahl, Treasurer and Greg Cherin, BRPC Representative. In April Don Pulfer announced to the Board that he would not seek another term after 5 years of valued service. The annual reorganization of the board occurred on May 15, 2018 as follows: Lucinda Vermeulen, Chairwoman; Greg Cherin, Vice Chairman; Helen Krancer, Treasurer; Ed Regendahl, Clerk and newly elected Jared Kelly, BRPC representative.

Citizens' Questionnaire: The Board completed an eight question survey and mailed it to citizens. The Board has been happy with a robust response level of over 35%. We will continue analyzing the answers and report our findings to the Town in the upcoming year.

Division of Land: The Board reviewed and approved three applications for Form A land divisions.

Special Permits: None

Public Hearings:

- March 6, 2018 on Bylaw 4.3.6.2 Common Driveways Requirements language change and Bylaw 5.6.3 Large-scale Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation (LGSPI) Overlay Requirements language change.
- March 19, 2018 on proposed changes to the Town Bylaw establishing a Recreational Overlay District.

Special Town Meeting March 27, 2018:

- The Town Meeting voted to refer the Recreational Overlay District bylaw to the Planning Board for review and to report to the Selectboard by October 31, 2018.
- The Planning Board's motion to amend Town's Zoning Bylaw 4.3.6.2 Common Driveway Requirements was defeated.
- The Planning Board's motion to amend Town's Zoning Bylaw 5.6.3 Large-scale Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation (LGSPI) Overlay District, clarified language and the motion passed.

Additional Board Activities:

- The Board attended BRPC seminars and meetings.
- The Board sought advice as necessary from Town Council.
- The Board gave advice to citizens.

Minutes for all Planning Board Meetings are available through the Town website in the archives section.

Bob Krupski Plumbing, Inc.

-Licensed Master Plumber -- License# 10391

Oil Burner Technician--License # 022053

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September 10, 2018

TO: Town of Egremont
RE: Plumbing / Gas Inspections – July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

During the year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:

PLUMBING:

Issued 37 plumbing permits

Conducted 65 on-site inspections.

Collected \$ 3,900.00 in fees.

GAS:

Issued 8 gas permits

Conducted 8 on site gas inspections

Collected \$ 480.00 in fees

Sincerely,

Bob Krupski,
Plumbing Inspector

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

As the newly appointed Chief of Police for the Town of Egremont I would like to thank the Board of selectmen for the opportunity to serve your community and become part of something special. Since my appointment in February, I have met some wonderful people who have welcomed me and made me feel at home.

On April 21st I was officially sworn in as your Chief of Police. The weather held out for us and we had the opportunity to hold an Open House. The event was well attended, and we were very proud to have been able to show off the facility and equipment the Town supports every year. We can not thank you enough.

During my first six months here, I have worked tirelessly to continue to advance Police Services and build on the foundation that Chief Race and acting Chief Shaw had established before my arrival. Since my arrival, we have instituted Rules and Regulations, begun the process of updating the department's Policies and Procedures and reducing liability through the review of past contracts and services. Officers have continued with their "In Service training" and have put in countless hours making up for staff shortages so that the community is protected.

There have been some changes in our full-time staffing with the resignation of Officer Hungate in March, and Officer Kemp this summer. Officer Maximilian Kolb has been selected to fill one of the open full-time positions and is set start the Police Academy in October of this year. He will be joining Officer Carlson as our second full-time officer when he graduates in the Spring of 2019. We hope to have our third full-time position filled in the very near future.

I would be personally like to thank our part-time officers who dedicate their time to serve the community. Officers Sutton, Officer Pravia, Officer Brown, Officer Minacci, and Officer Race invest time every month helping to fill open shifts on their time off despite the demands of their regular jobs and their families. I would also like to thank Margaret Bower-Avenia who as my Administrative Assistant, is the backbone of the department.

The town committed to and approved the purchase of the new cruiser which will be arriving in September. This new vehicle will allow our officers to safely respond to emergencies in the town and allow access to areas that are often not accessible by car.

We have been very involved with the Council on Aging. I have had the opportunity to attend several luncheons with the "crew" and have always found myself walking away better for the experience. We have also been working with Peg Muskrat and the COA to launch our "Good Morning Senior" program in early September. The program is available to all Egremont residents at least 65 years of age who live alone or would benefit from someone checking in on them. The program to date has been a great success.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with the community by providing the best possible service. If there is ever a problem, please do not hesitate to contact us as we are here for you.

Respectfully,

Erik H. Josephson

Chief of Police



(Chief Josephson attended the COA Luncheon)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board is disappointed to report that negotiations with Charter/Spectrum for Broadband and Cable TV have been suspended. The Board voted unanimously to no longer seek to move forward with Charter/Spectrum. The town will issue an RFP seeking a qualified vendor to service 100% of the Town. Fiber Connect has almost completed its Phase 2 build-out.

The saga of the historic South Egremont School house continues. The foundation stabilization project was completed in August before school was scheduled to open. The Southern Berkshire Regional District School Committee continues to put up hurdles that the Town has successfully navigated to date, but the School Committee continues to put off moving the classroom into the school house. The classroom, which includes 15 pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students, continues to be housed at Undermountain Elementary as of this writing.

The Board sought, and was granted from the Architectural Access Board, a time waiver to August 31, 2019 to make the very important ADA upgrades. The Town has just completed the application for funding of the ADA upgrades and is committed to making these upgrades even if the Town has to fund the approximate \$110,000 cost.

The Southern Berkshire Regional School District has formed a Committee to review the formula used to assess the Towns for the school's operating costs. The current formula does not have any protection from a town encountering a large spike in their assessment in any given year. The Committee was formed to come up with a formula option that would give that protection, and that all five towns in the district would have to approve.

The South Egremont Church still struggles to keep its congregation and to fund necessary repairs. A volunteer group of concerned citizens- Friends of the Egremont Meeting House- that was formed to save and restore our church as a Community Center and as a tribute to the living memory of the congregation that nurtured the Church from the earliest years of the twentieth century has not been able to come to successful terms with the Church.

Road repairs are an ongoing struggle for all towns. The Town successfully funded phase 1 of the \$535,500.00 engineering work for the Mount Washington Road in hopes of obtaining State and Federal funding through the Transportation Improvement Plan. That engineering work began this past summer with borings of the roadway bed.

Town meeting authorized the Board to move forward with four units of affordable housing on the Town Hall property located at 171 Egremont Plain Road. Town Meeting did not approve the funding mechanism so Construct will be moving forward with the project. The Board will grant Construct a 99 year lease of the land. The units will be constructed from 2 houses that were donated and will be moved to the property in March of 2019.

The Board hired a new Police Chief in March of 2018 who, unfortunately, has already informed the Board that he will not stay on past June of 2019. Egremont's Police Department, though small, is mighty and many faceted. The Board keeps hoping for a long term commitment that will move its department forward in a world that is very uncertain.

French Park is getting a new, professional grade Tennis Court thanks to a resident who has made a very generous donation for its construction. In the near future the park may also be home to a pickle ball court. With the playground expansion and up-grade the town not only boasts an innovative, but an attractive and colorful, playground that children of all ages can, and do, enjoy. (Pictured below.)

The Greenagers completed the eight raised beds in French Park and grew organic produce throughout the summer which was provided to members of our community. (Pictured below.)

The Board thanks all of the Town's officials, board/committee members and employees. Egremont is a well run wheel thanks to the efforts, many of which are volunteer, of all who have stepped up to participate in town government.

Board of Selectmen
Bruce Turner, Chair
George McGurn, Vice-Chair
Mary Brazie



(Gardens at French Park)



(Tennis court construction at French Park)

Both photos courtesy of Tom Reynolds

REPORT OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR

The Town of Egremont continued to benefit in grant funding from becoming a state designated Green Community. In addition to the initial grant of \$138,000 received in 2016 (which went toward the purchase of new, more efficient heating systems for various town buildings), the town applied for the Green Communities Competitive Grant program in spring 2018. As a result, the town was informed that we will receive an additional \$7500 to yet again help fund more energy efficient systems for our town buildings. These improved energy systems will continue to reduce the town's reliance on fossil fuels while saving the town money in energy related capital costs.

The photovoltaic (pv) solar arrays at the Egremont Highway Garage, Water Department and Police Department continue to delivery reduced electricity costs to the town. In addition to the electricity dollar savings, the town received approximately \$4,500 in SREC payments from the Water Department and Police Department installations. Similar annual SREC payments will continue for the next 7 years.

In January 2017 Egremont entered into a contract with Colonial Power to provide residential electric aggregation services. Since that time over 600 Egremont residents have signed on with the program receiving kilowatt rate savings for their residential electric use. The power is not only less expensive, but comes from a green source.

At town meeting in May of 2017 voters approved entering into a 20 year contract to receive the benefits of pv solar net metering for municipal electricity usage. In the winter of 2018 the town signed with NuGen Capitol to purchase electricity from a commercial solar array in Eastern Massachusetts. Once the utility gives the go ahead to turn that system on, the town is anticipated to received a 20% discount on current electricity costs through net metering credits. This is estimated to save the town \$5000 a year in energy costs.

On the solid waste front, after having a slow and steady decrease in annual solid waste tonnage for the past four years, Egremont saw an increase of 9% for FY2018. It is hard to pinpoint exactly why this increase occurred. The strong economy could have something to do with it (people bought more newer things and threw out the old things) as could the restrictions on certain recyclables in world markets. Egremont residents actively participated in the many waste reduction programs offered here in town -- the Swap Shop and community composting bin at the Transfer Station and our collaboration with Goodwill Industries to name just a few. These waste reductions programs helped the town receive a MassDEP Recycling Dividends Award in the amount of \$4500 which was spent on the purchase of a new bottles and cans dumpster at the Transfer Station.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliette Haas
Sustainability Coordinator

REPORT OF THE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Technology Committee. The Egremont Technology Committee (TC) was formed in August 2015 by vote of the Select Board for the purpose of determining options, evaluating proposals, and recommending solutions to meet the high-speed broadband networking needs of the Town. As of June 30, 2018, the volunteer members of the committee are Egremont residents George McGurn (chair and Select Board liaison), Jeff Lazarus (co-chair), Laura Allen (Finance Committee liaison), Mark Roggen, Jonathan Taylor, John Wells, and Marj Wexler.

Background. For several years before formation of the TC, the Town had engaged in significant broadband planning work, primarily through its participation in WiredWest, a consortium of western Massachusetts towns investigating a regional approach, which ultimately failed to materialize. In summer 2015 the Town received two unsolicited proposals from private companies to build and operate private broadband networks in the Town. These proposals were the catalyst for formation of the Technology Committee. The TC reviewed these proposals and met with the vendors during fall 2015. In the end, the TC recommended that the Town dismiss these proposals and instead pursue an independent approach, similar to several other towns such as Alford, Otis, Mt. Washington, and others. Accordingly, the Town issued a Request for Proposals for network design, engineering, consulting, and project management in May 2016. This was to be followed by an RFP for construction, and then a final RFP for network operation and maintenance.

There were four RFP bidders, but in July 2016 on recommendation of the TC, the Select Board voted to dismiss all RFP bidders and instead engage with MBI for management of the broadband project. Under their “Municipal Project Assistance Program,” MBI was to vet and supervise contractors for pole survey, design/engineering, and construction of a Town-owned municipal broadband network. Through a subcontractor, MBI conducted the pole survey work during fall 2016. But then in January 2017, MBI abandoned their Municipal Project Assistance Program, a setback for the Town. Instead, MBI offered a new “Private Provider” program through which they contracted with Charter Communications to provide a conventional cable TV system with internet and telephone options. On April 10, 2017, the Select Board voted to accept this program. In June 2017, MBI completed its contract with Charter, which included a state grant of \$1,185,000 to Charter as an inducement for the Egremont build-out.

FY 2018 year in review (July 2017 through June 2018). Cable TV service is highly regulated at both the federal and state levels. The Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications (DTC) oversees the initial process of developing and executing a Cable Franchise License Agreement between a town and a cable TV provider. Normally, the first step is for a town to advertise a public notice and allow a 60-day period for interested cable TV providers to submit proposals. The Town of Egremont applied for—and was granted—a waiver for this step because the MBI Private Provider program fulfilled this requirement. The next step was for Charter to submit a formal application with their proposed cable franchise agreement, which they did on September 11. This began a DTC-mandated 90-day negotiation period.

The TC reviewed Charter’s submission in detail, consulted with the Town’s Special Telecommunications Counsel, and met on September 25 to discuss the proposal and to formulate the Town’s response. Charter’s initial draft was unsatisfactory in several respects. For example,

Charter's definition of "standard installation" was an aerial "drop" of up to 125 feet. But in rural communities like Egremont, most houses are a lot further than 125 feet from the road, and in many cases the utilities are underground. Many other towns in the Commonwealth have a much more generous definition of "standard installation." The TC identified a total of 14 issues with the agreement, and the Town asked for a meeting with Charter officials to discuss these. Although the Town was prepared to meet on short notice, Charter was unable to meet until November 10.

At the meeting, Charter representatives were able to address some of the issues while others had to be taken back to their upper management for review. They promised a response by the end of November. After several prods from the Town, Charter provided a partial response on January 2, 2018. The TC met on January 8 to review Charter's new information. Some responses were favorable, such as agreement to extend the standard drop length to 250 feet. Other issues went unanswered, such as a description of their proposed coverage area, which under Charter's contract with the state was to be only 96% of dwellings in Egremont. The Town wanted to know the location of the 4% that they planned to leave out and what it would take to get those properties included to bring us as close as possible to the goal of 100% coverage.

Rather than wait for more answers through another lengthy round of communication with Charter, the TC decided that a more proactive strategy would be to work with our Special Telecommunications Counsel to revise Charter's original proposed license agreement to reflect the terms as we wanted them to be and submit this to Charter. In early March the Town sent Egremont's version of the cable TV license agreement to Charter. In a joint meeting on March 28, the Board of Selectmen and the TC, together with the Special Telecommunications Counsel, met with Charter to go over our preferred version of the license agreement. Charter stated that they would review our agreement in detail, consider our additional provisions that go beyond what they had originally proposed, and get back to us with a final response. On May 15 the Town received Charter's response, which our Special Telecommunications Counsel reviewed immediately. Charter had accepted many of the changes the Town requested. But Counsel recommended that the Town should either stand its ground or find a reasonable compromise on certain unresolved matters before entering into a long-term agreement. One request was to include certain straightforward underground installations in the definition of "standard installation". A second was to make better accommodation for public, educational, and government (PEG) use of the system. The Town requested a follow-up meeting with Charter to go over the few remaining concerns.

As of June 30, 2018 (end of the year covered by this report), Charter had not yet been able to schedule this meeting. Over the course of the year, the Town had to apply for—and was granted—several extensions of the DTC 90-day deadline. It is important to note that at no time throughout the process did the Town request anything that goes beyond provisions that already exist in other agreements between Charter and at least some cities and towns in the Commonwealth.

Aftermath. Subsequent to the end of the reporting year, the requested meeting took place on July 10, 2018, at which time the Town and Charter came to verbal agreement on all remaining issues. By law, Charter is required to submit their final written agreement to the Town, after which the Select Board will schedule a Public Hearing to receive citizen comment and then take

an up-or-down vote on the final agreement. At this writing, the Town is still waiting for the final agreement from Charter.

Fiber Connect. Through the year while the Town tried to conclude the agreement with Charter, the private company Fiber Connect (FC) continued to build out its broadband network infrastructure in portions of Egremont. Earlier in calendar year 2017, FC had applied for utility pole licenses from National Grid and Verizon and had contracted with them for “make-ready” work to prepare poles for attachment of fiber optic cable. On July 10, 2017, the Select Board approved FC’s application for a Grant of Location, which is the Town’s process to permit utility companies to install utility poles and build electrical and communications infrastructure along public ways. On February 12, the Board approved FC’s second application covering their Phase 2 construction. By the end of June 2018, FC had “passed” (made access available to) more than half the premises in Egremont and had signed up more than 200 subscribers.



(Lightening Strike on Baldwin Hill -
Photo courtesy of Hans Carlson)

**REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR
FISCAL YEAR ENDING
6/30/2018**

6/30/2016

TAX / YEAR	COMMITMENT	BAL FORWARD	ABATED	PAYMENTS	REFUNDS	BALANCE
REAL ESTATE						
2018	3,734,361.89		10,588.79	3,599,338.68	8,335.10	132,769.52
2017	-	124,562.61	-	117,201.55	-	7,361.06
2016	-	20,484.06		20,484.06	-	0.00
PERSONAL PROPERTY						
2018	32,683.81	31,996.86	4,698.91	58,350.86	256.06	1,886.96
2017		2,212.21	10.23	2,127.24	-	74.74
MOTOR VEHICLE						
2018	225,187.91	-	7,561.76	209,755.26	2,830.00	10,700.89
2017	25,546.56	8,604.41	3,439.48	30,118.47	2,503.05	3,096.07
2016	-	2,341.79	355.77	751.67	355.77	1,590.12
2015	-	352.61	-	109.79	-	242.82
2014	-	630.62	-	-	-	630.62
Total all taxes	\$4,017,780.17	\$191,185.17	\$26,654.94	\$4,038,237.58	\$14,279.98	\$158,352.80

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Funk
Treasurer-Tax Collector

Town of Egremont
Combined Balance Sheet 07/01/2017-06/30/2018

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Govern Grant Funds	Capital Project Funds	Revolving Funds	Water Fund	Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Fixed Assets	Long Term Debt Group	Memo Only
ASSETS											
Cash	718,686.29	54,866.18	44,207.01	0.00	30,534.21	28,436.66	690,244.88	4,728.29	0.00	0.00	1,571,703.52
Receivables	5,245.16	0.00	18,165.14	150,832.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	174,242.68
Property Taxes	141,865.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	141,865.29
Allowance for Abate & Exempt	-33,642.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-33,642.10
Tax Liens	31,486.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,486.43
Motor Vehicle Excise	16,260.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,260.52
User Charges / Liens	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,450.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,450.43
Amts Prov for Pay of Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	375,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	180,000.00	555,000.00
Other Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,640,966.39	0.00	0.00	22,794,254.00	0.00	28,435,220.39
TOTAL ASSETS	879,901.59	54,866.18	62,372.15	150,832.38	30,534.21	6,070,853.48	690,244.88	4,728.29	22,794,254.00	180,000.00	30,918,587.16
LIABILITIES											
Other Liabilities	417.48	0.00	0.00	150,832.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	151,249.86
Payroll Withholdings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,603.29	0.00	0.00	3,603.29
Def Rev Prop Tax	108,223.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	108,223.19
Def Rev Tax Liens	31,486.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,486.43
Deferred Revenue-Other	5,245.16	0.00	18,165.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,410.30
Def Rev MV Excise	16,260.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,260.52
Def Rev User Charges / Liens	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,450.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,450.43
Bonds Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	375,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	180,000.00	555,000.00
Accumulated Depreciation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	925,373.00	0.00	0.00	14,757,117.00	0.00	15,682,490.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	161,632.78	0.00	18,165.14	150,832.38	0.00	1,326,823.43	0.00	3,603.29	14,757,117.00	180,000.00	16,598,174.02
FUND BALANCES											
Reserved for Encumb	305,424.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	735.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	306,159.48
Reserved for Expenditures	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,788.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	106,788.00
Reserved for Deficits	-80,271.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-80,271.22
Designated	0.00	54,866.18	44,207.01	0.00	30,534.21	0.00	690,244.88	1,125.00	0.00	0.00	820,977.28
Undesignated	393,116.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,913.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	414,029.21
Fixed Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,715,593.39	0.00	0.00	8,037,137.00	0.00	12,752,730.39
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	718,268.81	54,866.18	44,207.01	0.00	30,534.21	4,744,030.05	690,244.88	1,125.00	8,037,137.00	0.00	14,320,413.14
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	879,901.59	54,866.18	62,372.15	150,832.38	30,534.21	6,070,853.48	690,244.88	4,728.29	22,794,254.00	180,000.00	30,918,587.16

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01 - GENERAL FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
014346.000	DOG LICENSES FEES			\$1,765.00	\$-1,765.00	100.00 %
346 - 346 Total				\$1,765.00	\$-1,765.00	100.00 %
014110.116	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2016			\$61.65	\$-61.65	100.00 %
014110.117	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2017			\$2,127.24	\$-2,127.24	100.00 %
014110.118	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2018			\$58,094.80	\$-58,094.80	100.00 %
014120.115	Real Estate 2015			\$2,039.90	\$-2,039.90	100.00 %
014120.116	REAL ESTATE 2016			\$8,900.12	\$-8,900.12	100.00 %
014120.117	REAL ESTATE 2017			\$102,448.66	\$-102,448.66	100.00 %
014120.118	REAL ESTATE 2018			\$3,591,230.57	\$-3,591,230.57	100.00 %
014142.000	Tax Liens Redeemed			\$2,039.84	\$-2,039.84	100.00 %
014450.115	MVE 2015			\$109.79	\$-109.79	100.00 %
014450.116	MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2016			\$751.67	\$-751.67	100.00 %
014450.117	MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2017			\$30,050.00	\$-30,050.00	100.00 %
014450.118	MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2018	\$200,000.00		\$209,755.26	\$-9,755.26	104.87 %
014170.000	Pen and Int on Taxes	\$23,000.00		\$22,852.79	\$147.21	99.35 %
014323.000	Tax Title Interest			\$8.55	\$-8.55	100.00 %
014180.000	Payments In Lieu of Taxes	\$750.00		\$771.00	\$-21.00	102.80 %
014329.000	Miscellaneous Fees	\$8,000.00		\$256.89	\$7,743.11	3.21 %
014370.000	Other Departmental			\$1,369.75	\$-1,369.75	100.00 %
014230.000	Copies			\$9.00	\$-9.00	100.00 %
014421.000	Miscellaneous Permits			\$285.00	\$-285.00	100.00 %
014427.000	RMV From the State			\$14,296.36	\$-14,296.36	100.00 %
014661.000	Lottery Aid	\$63,031.00		\$62,944.00	\$87.00	99.86 %
014663.000	State Owned Land	\$134,919.00		\$134,919.00		100.00 %
014664.000	Vets Blind Surv Spouse Exempts	\$3,792.00		\$1,004.00	\$2,788.00	26.47 %
014772.000	Fines - RMV Surcharge	\$14,000.00		\$620.00	\$13,380.00	4.42 %
014440.000	Interest	\$3,000.00		\$5,895.81	\$-2,895.81	196.52 %
014100.000	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$12,800.00		\$4,598.42	\$8,201.58	35.92 %
100 - General Government Total		\$463,292.00		\$4,257,440.07	\$-3,794,148.07	918.95 %

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01 - GENERAL FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
014443.000	NESC Service Sentiel Payments			\$473.79	\$-473.79	100.00 %
014441.100	Liquor License	\$55,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$50,000.00	9.09 %
014315.000	Other Licenses			\$754.10	\$-754.10	100.00 %
014440.100	Lodging License			\$50.00	\$-50.00	100.00 %
014422.000	Tag Sale Permits			\$175.00	\$-175.00	100.00 %
122 - Selectmen Total		\$55,000.00		\$6,452.89	\$48,547.11	11.73 %
014324.000	Assessor's Fees			\$35.00	\$-35.00	100.00 %
141 - Assesors Total				\$35.00	\$-35.00	100.00 %
014321.000	Demand Fees			\$7,647.40	\$-7,647.40	100.00 %
145 - Treasurer/Collector Total				\$7,647.40	\$-7,647.40	100.00 %
014327.000	Tax Collector Fees			\$2,212.20	\$-2,212.20	100.00 %
146 - Collector Total				\$2,212.20	\$-2,212.20	100.00 %
014366.000	Town Clerk Fees			\$1,070.00	\$-1,070.00	100.00 %
161 - Town Clerk Total				\$1,070.00	\$-1,070.00	100.00 %
014365.000	Planning Board Fees			\$200.00	\$-200.00	100.00 %
175 - Planning Board Total				\$200.00	\$-200.00	100.00 %
014210.000	Admin Fee Police			\$11,077.70	\$-11,077.70	100.00 %
014210.001	POLICE FEES - MISC.			\$757.70	\$-757.70	100.00 %
014771.000	Fines - District Court			\$202.50	\$-202.50	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total				\$12,037.90	\$-12,037.90	100.00 %
014220.000	Fire Services Mt. Washington			\$12,262.74	\$-12,262.74	100.00 %
014350.000	Fire Department Fees			\$40.00	\$-40.00	100.00 %
014425.000	Alarm Permits			\$7,675.00	\$-7,675.00	100.00 %
220 - Fire Department Total				\$19,977.74	\$-19,977.74	100.00 %
014241.000	Building Permits			\$35,348.00	\$-35,348.00	100.00 %
241 - Building Inspector Total				\$35,348.00	\$-35,348.00	100.00 %
014241.001	TOWN SHARE OF INSPECTORS FEES			\$1,060.00	\$-1,060.00	100.00 %
249 - Inspectors Total				\$1,060.00	\$-1,060.00	100.00 %

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01 - GENERAL FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
014200.328	Disposal Charges	\$4,000.00		\$4,545.50	\$-545.50	113.63 %
433 - Compactor Total		\$4,000.00		\$4,545.50	\$-545.50	113.63 %
014200.510	Permits- Board of Health			\$14,515.00	\$-14,515.00	100.00 %
511 - Board of Health Total				\$14,515.00	\$-14,515.00	100.00 %
014660.000	Veterans' Benefits	\$8,291.00		\$11,371.00	\$-3,080.00	137.14 %
543 - Veterans Total		\$8,291.00		\$11,371.00	\$-3,080.00	137.14 %
01 - GENERAL FUND Total		\$530,583.00		\$4,375,677.70	\$-3,845,094.70	824.69 %

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13 - CHAPTER 90						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
134422.701	COMPLETE STREETS			\$36,298.50	\$-36,298.50	100.00 %
134424.701	TIETF REV					100.00 %
134422.000	CHAPTER 90 REVENUE			\$289,211.65	\$-289,211.65	100.00 %
422 - Highway Department Total				\$325,510.15	\$-325,510.15	100.00 %
13 - CHAPTER 90 Total				\$325,510.15	\$-325,510.15	100.00 %

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24 - GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
244600.001	BTCF GRANT			\$600.00	\$-600.00	100.00 %
610 - Library Total				\$600.00	\$-600.00	100.00 %
244291.000	Emergency Management					100.00 %
244223.016	FY16 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING			\$707.56	\$-707.56	100.00 %
244227.000	MEMA GRANT FFY17			\$1,460.00	\$-1,460.00	100.00 %
299 - Emergency Management Total				\$2,167.56	\$-2,167.56	100.00 %
244437.001	BOH ONLINE PERMITTING PROGRAM REVEN			\$2,370.00	\$-2,370.00	100.00 %
438 - BOH ONLINE PERMITTING GRANT Total				\$2,370.00	\$-2,370.00	100.00 %
2444320.002	SMRPG			\$4,200.00	\$-4,200.00	100.00 %
441 - SMRPG Total				\$4,200.00	\$-4,200.00	100.00 %
244400.000	Berk Bank Septic Loans			\$2,000.00	\$-2,000.00	100.00 %
511 - Board of Health Total				\$2,000.00	\$-2,000.00	100.00 %
244007.000	Council on Aging - State			\$4,903.50	\$-4,903.50	100.00 %
541 - Council on Aging Total				\$4,903.50	\$-4,903.50	100.00 %
244003.000	Library - State	\$2,119.00		\$1,995.60	\$123.40	94.17 %
610 - Library Total		\$2,119.00		\$1,995.60	\$123.40	94.17 %
244699.000	Cultural Council Grant			\$8,800.00	\$-8,800.00	100.00 %
635 - Cultural Council Total				\$8,800.00	\$-8,800.00	100.00 %
24 - GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS Total		\$2,119.00		\$27,036.66	\$-24,917.66	1,275.91 %

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25 - REVOLVING FUNDS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
254200.001	French Park Revolving			\$825.00	\$-825.00	100.00 %
200 - 200 Total				\$825.00	\$-825.00	100.00 %
254171.000	CONSERVATION COMMISSION REVENUE			\$974.76	\$-974.76	100.00 %
171 - Conservation Commission Total				\$974.76	\$-974.76	100.00 %
254176.001	Board of Appeals Fees			\$550.00	\$-550.00	100.00 %
176 - Board of Appeals Total				\$550.00	\$-550.00	100.00 %
254249.000	INSPECTORS REVENUE			\$18,990.00	\$-18,990.00	100.00 %
249 - Inspectors Total				\$18,990.00	\$-18,990.00	100.00 %
254008.000	Dog License			\$25.00	\$-25.00	100.00 %
254292.000	TOWN CLERK FEES			\$257.00	\$-257.00	100.00 %
292 - Animal Control Total				\$282.00	\$-282.00	100.00 %
2543207.000	Compostable Materials			\$220.02	\$-220.02	100.00 %
254208.000	MRF RECYCLING PROCEEDS - REVENUE			\$5,681.91	\$-5,681.91	100.00 %
254006.000	Sale of Compost Bins			\$40.00	\$-40.00	100.00 %
511 - Board of Health Total				\$5,941.93	\$-5,941.93	100.00 %
25 - REVOLVING FUNDS Total				\$27,563.69	\$-27,563.69	100.00 %

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26 - GIFTS AND DONATIONS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
264543.000	COUNCIL ON AGING DONATION REVENUE			\$2,206.00	\$-2,206.00	100.00 %
541 - Council on Aging Total				\$2,206.00	\$-2,206.00	100.00 %
264688.000	S. EGREMONT SCHOOL DONATIONS			\$28,468.80	\$-28,468.80	100.00 %
264684.000	INSURANCE RECOVERY REVENUE <\$20,000			\$669.31	\$-669.31	100.00 %
264122.840	Holiday Lights Fund			\$359.47	\$-359.47	100.00 %
122 - Selectmen Total				\$29,497.58	\$-29,497.58	100.00 %
264210.000	T & E Donations			\$600.00	\$-600.00	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total				\$600.00	\$-600.00	100.00 %
264653.000	French Park Playground			\$9,900.00	\$-9,900.00	100.00 %
653 - French Park Playground Total				\$9,900.00	\$-9,900.00	100.00 %
26 - GIFTS AND DONATIONS Total				\$42,203.58	\$-42,203.58	100.00 %

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28 - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
284800.000	TNB REVENUE			\$0.90	\$-0.90	100.00 %
422 - Highway Department Total				\$0.90	\$-0.90	100.00 %
28 - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS Total				\$0.90	\$-0.90	100.00 %

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61 - WATER FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
614210.000	Water Usage Charge			\$211,825.82	\$-211,825.82	100.00 %
451 - Water Department Total				\$211,825.82	\$-211,825.82	100.00 %
61 - WATER FUND Total				\$211,825.82	\$-211,825.82	100.00 %

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82 - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
824277.000	Stabilization Interest			\$4,161.13	\$-4,161.13	100.00 %
824277.001	GASB 45 Interest			\$3,764.88	\$-3,764.88	100.00 %
100 - General Government Total				\$7,926.01	\$-7,926.01	100.00 %
824280.000	Conservation Fund Interest			\$103.34	\$-103.34	100.00 %
171 - Conservation Commission Total				\$103.34	\$-103.34	100.00 %
824286.100	Cemetery Perp Care			\$1,950.00	\$-1,950.00	100.00 %
824281.000	Cem Perp Care Interest			\$572.12	\$-572.12	100.00 %
824285.000	Frank Boice Interest			\$94.68	\$-94.68	100.00 %
824287.100	Sale of Lots			\$300.00	\$-300.00	100.00 %
824287.000	Hillside SOL Interest			\$30.44	\$-30.44	100.00 %
824286.000	Hillside Perp Care Interest			\$274.56	\$-274.56	100.00 %
491 - Cemetery Department Total				\$3,221.80	\$-3,221.80	100.00 %
824283.000	French Park Interest			\$786.63	\$-786.63	100.00 %
824292.000	French Park Dog					100.00 %
655 - French Park Total				\$786.63	\$-786.63	100.00 %
82 - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS Total				\$12,037.78	\$-12,037.78	100.00 %

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88 - WITHHOLDINGS FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
884998.947	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD EYE PREMIUMS			\$961.75	\$-961.75	100.00 %
884998.993	Other Withholdings			\$8,635.76	\$-8,635.76	100.00 %
884998.994	HIGHWAY UNION DUES			\$2,096.92	\$-2,096.92	100.00 %
884998.995	Insurance Withholding			\$106,829.28	\$-106,829.28	100.00 %
884998.997	Def Comp Withholding			\$25,308.33	\$-25,308.33	100.00 %
884998.998	Retirement Withholding			\$75,373.19	\$-75,373.19	100.00 %
884998.999	Taxes Withholding			\$172,049.90	\$-172,049.90	100.00 %
998 - WITHHOLDINGS Total				\$391,255.13	\$-391,255.13	100.00 %
88 - WITHHOLDINGS FUND Total				\$391,255.13	\$-391,255.13	100.00 %

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89 - AGENCY FUNDS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
894115.000	Deputy Collector Fees			\$2,135.00	\$-2,135.00	100.00 %
145 - Treasurer/Collector Total				\$2,135.00	\$-2,135.00	100.00 %
894210.110	Outside Detail-Labor			\$139,468.80	\$-139,468.80	100.00 %
894210.555	State Fire Arms Revenue			\$2,037.50	\$-2,037.50	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total				\$141,506.30	\$-141,506.30	100.00 %
89 - AGENCY FUNDS Total				\$143,641.30	\$-143,641.30	100.00 %
Grand Total		\$532,702.00	\$0.00	\$5,556,752.71	\$-5,024,050.71	1,043.12 %

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01 - GENERAL FUND								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
015114.113	Moderator Salary		\$324.00			\$324.00		100.00 %
114 - Moderator Total			\$324.00			\$324.00		100.00 %
015122.113	#1 Selectman's Salary		\$5,390.00			\$5,390.00		100.00 %
015122.114	#2 Selectman's Salary		\$5,001.00			\$5,001.00		100.00 %
015122.115	#3 Selectman's Salary		\$5,001.00			\$5,001.00		100.00 %
015122.116	Administrator Salary		\$60,265.00			\$60,265.00		100.00 %
015122.119	Personnel Director		\$9,938.00			\$9,938.00		100.00 %
015122.120	Sustainability Coordinator		\$6,591.00			\$6,591.00		100.00 %
015122.122	SICK LEAVE BUYBACK		\$5,000.00			\$2,889.21	\$2,110.79	57.78 %
015122.700	Selectmen Expenses		\$11,300.00			\$10,834.73	\$465.27	95.88 %
015122.704	G I S		\$4,300.00			\$4,300.00		100.00 %
015122.705	Sustainability Coordinator Expense		\$350.00			\$350.00		100.00 %
015122.701	Chamber of Commerce Membership		\$260.00			\$260.00		100.00 %
015122.703	Town Engineer		\$4,450.00			\$4,237.50	\$212.50	95.22 %
015122.709	ART. 7 ATM 05/03/16 TOWN MATCH ESV	\$213,500.00		\$75,000.00		\$143,010.25	\$145,489.75	49.57 %
122 - Selectmen Total		\$213,500.00	\$117,846.00	\$75,000.00		\$258,067.69	\$148,278.31	63.50 %
015123.110	Town Hall Office Clerk		\$23,976.00			\$23,976.00		100.00 %
123 - Town Hall Total			\$23,976.00			\$23,976.00		100.00 %
015131.700	Finance Committee Expense		\$400.00			\$247.35	\$152.65	61.83 %
131 - Finance Committee Total			\$400.00			\$247.35	\$152.65	61.83 %
015135.113	Town Accountant Salary		\$12,480.00			\$12,480.00		100.00 %
015135.400	Town Accountant Expenses		\$1,500.00			\$868.08	\$631.92	57.87 %
135 - Town Accountant Total			\$13,980.00			\$13,348.08	\$631.92	95.47 %
015145.115	COMPUTER ADMINISTRATOR SALARY		\$6,200.00			\$6,200.00		100.00 %
136 - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES Total			\$6,200.00			\$6,200.00		100.00 %
015141.113	# 1 Assessors' Salaries		\$4,825.00			\$4,825.00		100.00 %
015141.114	#2 Assessor's Salaries		\$4,825.00			\$4,825.00		100.00 %
015141.115	#3 Assessor's Salaries		\$4,825.00			\$4,825.00		100.00 %

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Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
015141.702	Assessors - Clerical		\$2,500.00	\$45.92		\$2,545.92		100.00 %
015141.700	Assessors Expenses		\$3,050.00	\$-45.92		\$1,376.04	\$1,628.04	45.80 %
015141.902	Assessor's Consulting		\$30,558.00			\$30,558.00		100.00 %
141 - Assessors Total			\$50,583.00			\$48,954.96	\$1,628.04	96.78 %
015145.113	Treasurer/Collector Salary		\$53,313.00			\$53,313.00		100.00 %
015145.116	Treasurer Collector Clerk		\$1,500.00				\$1,500.00	0.00 %
015145.400	Treas/Collect Expenses		\$11,495.00	\$-2,350.34		\$6,345.20	\$2,799.46	69.38 %
145 - Treasurer/Collector Total			\$66,308.00	\$-2,350.34		\$59,658.20	\$4,299.46	93.27 %
015146.701	Tax Col Tax Title Expense					\$8,884.13	\$-8,884.13	100.00 %
146 - Collector Total						\$8,884.13	\$-8,884.13	100.00 %
015151.700	Legal Fees		\$14,000.00			\$14,000.00		100.00 %
015151.702	Legal Expenses		\$2,000.00	\$5,915.00		\$7,915.00		100.00 %
015151.725	Litigation		\$5,000.00	\$-4,150.00		\$850.00		100.00 %
151 - Legal Department Total			\$21,000.00	\$1,765.00		\$22,765.00		100.00 %
015152.200	Drug & Alcohol Tests		\$360.00			\$200.00	\$160.00	55.55 %
152 - Drug and Alcohol Total			\$360.00			\$200.00	\$160.00	55.55 %
015155.012	High Speed Internet		\$2,500.00			\$2,040.00	\$460.00	81.60 %
015155.700	Computer Expenses		\$50,346.00	\$-2,945.00		\$40,714.62	\$6,686.38	85.89 %
015155.014	Email Archives		\$2,500.00			\$2,500.00		100.00 %
155 - Office Machines Total			\$55,346.00	\$-2,945.00		\$45,254.62	\$7,146.38	86.36 %
015159.700	Audit		\$7,370.00			\$7,370.00		100.00 %
159 - Audit Total			\$7,370.00			\$7,370.00		100.00 %
015161.113	Town Clerk Salary		\$9,910.00			\$9,910.00		100.00 %
015161.700	Town Clerk Expenses		\$3,500.00	\$2,365.00		\$5,133.96	\$731.04	87.53 %
015161.702	Egremont News Letter		\$3,000.00			\$2,977.36	\$22.64	99.24 %
161 - Town Clerk Total			\$16,410.00	\$2,365.00		\$18,021.32	\$753.68	95.98 %
015162.113	Election Wages		\$4,000.00	\$-2,365.00		\$1,263.50	\$371.50	77.27 %
162 - Elections and Registration Total			\$4,000.00	\$-2,365.00		\$1,263.50	\$371.50	77.27 %

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01 - GENERAL FUND								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
015163.113	Bd. of Registrar's Salary		\$50.00			\$50.00		100.00 %
163 - Board of Registrars Total			\$50.00			\$50.00		100.00 %
015171.700	Conserv Comm Expenses		\$1,945.00			\$587.64	\$1,357.36	30.21 %
015171.701	CONSERVATION COMMISSION AGENT		\$1,000.00				\$1,000.00	0.00 %
171 - Conservation Commission Total			\$2,945.00			\$587.64	\$2,357.36	19.95 %
015172.700	Agricultural Commission		\$100.00			\$75.00	\$25.00	75.00 %
172 - Agricultural Commission Total			\$100.00			\$75.00	\$25.00	75.00 %
015174.700	Berkshire Regional Plan					\$929.02	\$-929.02	100.00 %
174 - Regional Planning Total						\$929.02	\$-929.02	100.00 %
015175.113	Planning Board Wages		\$400.00				\$400.00	0.00 %
015175.700	Planning Board Expenses		\$2,800.00			\$2,463.50	\$336.50	87.98 %
015175.701	PLANNING TECH. ASSIST. ATM ARTICLE	\$3,200.00					\$3,200.00	0.00 %
175 - Planning Board Total		\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00			\$2,463.50	\$3,936.50	38.49 %
015176.700	Board of Appeals Expenses		\$100.00			\$76.69	\$23.31	76.69 %
176 - Board of Appeals Total			\$100.00			\$76.69	\$23.31	76.69 %
015190.113	Bylaw Printing		\$250.00				\$250.00	0.00 %
190 - Printing Total			\$250.00				\$250.00	0.00 %
015192.115	Maint Superintendent		\$46,272.00			\$46,272.00		100.00 %
015192.117	Building Maint. Wages		\$12,672.00			\$11,569.20	\$1,102.80	91.29 %
015192.400	Bldg.Maint. Utility Expense		\$37,300.00	\$-4,210.47	\$623.00	\$26,063.75	\$6,402.78	80.65 %
015192.405	Telephone		\$9,600.00			\$8,431.60	\$1,168.40	87.82 %
015192.408	Town Cemetery Maintenance		\$100.00				\$100.00	0.00 %
015192.700	Building Maint.Gen.Exp.		\$16,680.00			\$16,459.57	\$220.43	98.67 %
015192.703	Group Purchasing		\$860.00			\$856.00	\$4.00	99.53 %
015210.703	Police Facility Maintenance		\$5,475.00			\$4,987.25	\$487.75	91.09 %
192 - Town Buildings Total			\$128,959.00	\$-4,210.47	\$623.00	\$114,639.37	\$9,486.16	92.39 %
015193.700	Town Hall Repairs		\$25,000.00			\$24,943.19	\$56.81	99.77 %

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015193.703	ART. 12 ATM 05/05/2015 SOUTH EGREMO	\$40,364.61				\$-5,817.42	\$46,182.03	-14.41 %
015193.704	ART. 13 ATM 05/05/2015 MT. EVERETT	\$20,200.00				\$1,000.00	\$19,200.00	4.95 %
015193.705	CEMETERY PROJECTS ATM ARTICLE 11	\$2,920.00				\$2,920.00		100.00 %
193 - Town Building Projects Total		\$63,484.61	\$25,000.00			\$23,045.77	\$65,438.84	26.04 %
015195.700	Town Report		\$500.00			\$33.62	\$466.38	6.72 %
195 - Town Reports Total			\$500.00			\$33.62	\$466.38	6.72 %
015210.113	Police Chief's Salary		\$66,150.00	\$13,482.16		\$79,412.42	\$219.74	99.72 %
015210.114	Police Wages-Secretary		\$17,102.00			\$16,660.94	\$441.06	97.42 %
015210.119	Collective Bargaining	\$14.50	\$262,196.00	\$1,217.84		\$263,428.34		100.00 %
015210.120	Constable's Salary		\$645.00			\$645.00		100.00 %
015210.700	Police Chief Expenses		\$5,132.00			\$4,902.54	\$229.46	95.52 %
015210.701	Vehicle Expenses		\$16,330.00			\$16,092.37	\$237.63	98.54 %
015210.702	Police Dept.Expenses		\$10,879.00			\$8,383.98	\$2,495.02	77.06 %
015210.704	POLICE CRUISER	\$38,853.00				\$38,782.56	\$70.44	99.81 %
015210.821	Police Station	\$4,853.45				\$1,590.39	\$3,263.06	32.76 %
210 - Police Department Total		\$43,720.95	\$378,434.00	\$14,700.00		\$429,898.54	\$6,956.41	98.40 %
015220.120	Firefighters Stipend		\$26,500.00			\$26,500.00		100.00 %
015220.700	Fire Dept Expenses		\$50,000.00			\$48,807.94	\$1,192.06	97.61 %
015220.702	Forest Fires		\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00		100.00 %
015220.704	Street Number 911		\$200.00			\$1.09	\$198.91	0.54 %
015220.705	Dispatch Facilities		\$10,316.00			\$10,314.80	\$1.20	99.98 %
015220.706	Draft Hydrants		\$2,000.00			\$0.17	\$1,999.83	0.00 %
015220.711	Blackboard Connect		\$2,250.00			\$2,250.00		100.00 %
015220.714	S. Berkshire Emerg. Planning		\$500.00			\$500.00		100.00 %
220 - Fire Department Total			\$92,766.00			\$89,374.00	\$3,392.00	96.34 %
015241.114	Building Inspector Asst		\$1,500.00	\$-482.41		\$150.00	\$867.59	14.74 %
015241.113	Building Inspector Salary		\$28,310.00			\$28,310.00		100.00 %
015241.700	Inspector's Expenses		\$2,866.00	\$2,482.41		\$5,768.41	\$-420.00	107.85 %
241 - Building Inspector Total			\$32,676.00	\$2,000.00		\$34,228.41	\$447.59	98.70 %

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015292.113	Animal Control Officer		\$2,554.00			\$2,554.00		100.00 %
015292.700	Animal Control Expenses		\$1,000.00				\$1,000.00	0.00 %
292 - Animal Control Total			\$3,554.00			\$2,554.00	\$1,000.00	71.86 %
015294.115	Tree Warden Wages		\$5,999.00			\$5,999.00		100.00 %
015294.700	Tree Work		\$20,000.00			\$18,882.18	\$1,117.82	94.41 %
294 - Tree Warden Total			\$25,999.00			\$24,881.18	\$1,117.82	95.70 %
015220.117	Emergency Management Wages		\$2,500.00			\$2,500.00		100.00 %
015220.707	Emergency Management Expenses	\$4,665.60	\$1,600.00			\$2,876.78	\$3,388.82	45.91 %
299 - Emergency Management Total		\$4,665.60	\$4,100.00			\$5,376.78	\$3,388.82	61.33 %
015300.004	School Crossing Guard		\$500.00				\$500.00	0.00 %
015300.002	Schools Operating Costs		\$1,511,376.00			\$1,510,545.83	\$830.17	99.94 %
015300.003	School Committee Expenses		\$2,079.00			\$2,079.00		100.00 %
015300.005	SCHOOL BOND		\$52,566.00			\$52,566.00		100.00 %
015300.001	Schools-Capital Costs		\$47,676.00			\$47,676.00		100.00 %
300 - Schools Total			\$1,614,197.00			\$1,612,866.83	\$1,330.17	99.91 %
015422.115	Const & Maint Wages		\$5,000.00			\$2,393.72	\$2,606.28	47.87 %
015422.116	Superintendent Salary		\$62,700.00			\$62,700.00		100.00 %
015422.117	HIGHWAY COLLECTIVE BARGAINING		\$151,170.00			\$145,751.75	\$5,418.25	96.41 %
015422.118	STREET SIGNS		\$9,000.00			\$4,712.28	\$4,287.72	52.35 %
015422.700	Const & Maintenance	\$31,376.00	\$180,800.00			\$131,903.21	\$80,272.79	62.16 %
015422.707	VEHICLE MAINT./REPAIRS		\$55,000.00			\$48,557.38	\$6,442.62	88.28 %
015422.119	PAINTING OF SALT SHED		\$9,000.00			\$9,000.00		100.00 %
015422.819	HIGHWAY TRACTOR		\$30,000.00			\$28,208.76	\$1,791.24	94.02 %
015422.821	ONE-TON DUMP TRUCK		\$55,000.00			\$55,000.00		100.00 %
422 - Highway Department Total		\$31,376.00	\$557,670.00			\$488,227.10	\$100,818.90	82.88 %
015423.115	Snow & Ice Removal Wages		\$25,000.00			\$17,789.14	\$7,210.86	71.15 %
015423.700	Snow and Ice Removal		\$70,000.00			\$148,177.95	\$-78,177.95	211.68 %
423 - Snow and Ice Total			\$95,000.00			\$165,967.09	\$-70,967.09	174.70 %

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01 - GENERAL FUND									
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp	
015424.200	Public Lighting		\$5,500.00	\$10.47		\$5,510.47		100.00 %	
424 - Public Lighting Total			\$5,500.00	\$10.47		\$5,510.47		100.00 %	
015433.114	Compactor Substitute Wage		\$4,300.00			\$824.31	\$3,475.69	19.17 %	
015433.700	Compactor Operation		\$82,710.00			\$81,911.11	\$798.89	99.03 %	
433 - Compactor Total			\$87,010.00			\$82,735.42	\$4,274.58	95.08 %	
015491.700	Cemetery Expenses/Projects		\$16,000.00			\$14,310.40	\$1,689.60	89.44 %	
491 - Cemetery Department Total			\$16,000.00			\$14,310.40	\$1,689.60	89.44 %	
015511.116	BOH Director Wages		\$25,680.00			\$25,680.00		100.00 %	
015511.118	Public Health Agent		\$12,738.00			\$10,000.00	\$2,738.00	78.50 %	
015511.700	Board of Health Expenses		\$5,000.00			\$2,885.67	\$2,114.33	57.71 %	
511 - Board of Health Total			\$43,418.00			\$38,565.67	\$4,852.33	88.82 %	
015519.700	Inspector of Animals		\$500.00			\$500.00		100.00 %	
519 - Animal Inspector Total			\$500.00			\$500.00		100.00 %	
015541.700	Council on Aging Expenses		\$8,111.00			\$8,111.00		100.00 %	
541 - Council on Aging Total			\$8,111.00			\$8,111.00		100.00 %	
015543.700	Veterans' Expenses					\$5,620.70	\$-5,620.70	100.00 %	
015543.751	Veteran's Benefits Paid Out		\$15,000.00			\$9,252.36	\$5,747.64	61.68 %	
543 - Veterans Total			\$15,000.00			\$14,873.06	\$126.94	99.15 %	
015599.200	Brien Center for Mental Health		\$2,203.00			\$2,203.00		100.00 %	
015599.201	Berkshire So. Comm. Center		\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00		100.00 %	
015599.202	Community Health Program		\$1,250.00			\$1,250.00		100.00 %	
015599.203	Community Service		\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00		100.00 %	
015599.204	Construct, Inc.		\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00		100.00 %	
015599.206	Egremont Garden Club		\$200.00			\$200.00		100.00 %	
015599.207	Elizabeth Freeman Center		\$500.00			\$500.00		100.00 %	
015599.208	Fairview Hospital		\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00		100.00 %	
015599.209	Hospice of So. Berkshire		\$750.00			\$750.00		100.00 %	

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015599.210	Public Health Services		\$2,500.00			\$1,937.00	\$563.00	77.48 %	
015599.211	So. Berk. Literacy Network		\$400.00			\$400.00		100.00 %	
015599.213	So.Berk.Elderly Transp		\$10,378.00			\$10,378.00		100.00 %	
015599.215	Railroad St. Youth Project		\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00		100.00 %	
015599.217	Housatonic Valley Association		\$250.00			\$250.00		100.00 %	
599 - Human Services Total			\$25,431.00			\$24,868.00	\$563.00	97.78 %	
015610.113	Librarian's Salary		\$21,149.00			\$21,149.00		100.00 %	
015610.114	Library Substitute Wages		\$1,104.00			\$968.00	\$136.00	87.68 %	
015610.700	Library Expenses		\$12,625.00			\$12,591.46	\$33.54	99.73 %	
610 - Library Total			\$34,878.00			\$34,708.46	\$169.54	99.51 %	
015650.113	French Park Wages		\$11,953.00			\$11,569.20	\$383.80	96.78 %	
015650.118	French Park Overtime		\$5,300.00			\$3,425.94	\$1,874.06	64.64 %	
015650.705	French Park Trails	\$197.02	\$1,000.00			\$1,197.02		100.00 %	
015650.700	French Park Maintenance		\$4,690.00			\$4,567.36	\$122.64	97.38 %	
015650.701	FRENCH PARK REPAIRS		\$8,500.00			\$8,500.00		100.00 %	
650 - French Park Total			\$197.02	\$31,443.00		\$29,259.52	\$2,380.50	92.47 %	
015655.824	Friends of Prospect Lake		\$5,000.00			\$5,000.00		100.00 %	
656 - Prospect Lake Total				\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		100.00 %	
015691.700	Historical Comm.Expenses		\$1,650.00			\$1,038.86	\$611.14	62.96 %	
015697.713	MACRS	\$500.00	\$4,000.00				\$4,500.00	0.00 %	
015697.714	HISTORIC BOOK RESTORATION (HISTORIC	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00				\$2,500.00	0.00 %	
691 - Historical Commission Total			\$2,000.00	\$6,650.00		\$1,038.86	\$7,611.14	12.00 %	
015710.925	Interest on Short Term Debt		\$10,000.00				\$10,000.00	0.00 %	
015710.928	Police Facility Loan		\$33,000.00			\$33,000.00		100.00 %	
015710.929	FIRE TRUCK LOAN		\$62,340.00			\$62,340.00		100.00 %	
015710.930	NOTES BACKHOE		\$28,886.00			\$28,886.00		100.00 %	
710 - Debt Service Total				\$134,226.00		\$124,226.00	\$10,000.00	92.54 %	

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Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encomb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
015820.640	State - Air Pollution		\$632.00			\$632.00		100.00 %
015820.641	State - RMV Surcharge		\$500.00			\$500.00		100.00 %
820 - State Assessments Total			\$1,132.00			\$1,132.00		100.00 %
015930.700	Bldg Improvements		\$8,300.00	\$4,200.00		\$12,027.32	\$472.68	96.21 %
930 - Projects Total			\$8,300.00	\$4,200.00		\$12,027.32	\$472.68	96.21 %
015940.700	Reserve Fund		\$25,000.00	\$-840.00			\$24,160.00	0.00 %
940 - Reserve Total			\$25,000.00	\$-840.00			\$24,160.00	0.00 %
015945.740	Insurance/Property & Casual		\$103,934.00			\$102,404.60	\$1,529.40	98.52 %
015945.741	Health/Dental		\$238,408.00	\$1,175.17		\$219,888.43	\$19,694.74	91.77 %
015945.742	Social Security/Medicare		\$15,000.00	\$1,175.17		\$16,175.17		100.00 %
015945.743	Unemployment		\$10,000.00	\$-5,000.00			\$5,000.00	0.00 %
015945.744	Pension		\$156,360.00	\$20.00		\$156,380.00		100.00 %
015945.747	LONGEVITY PAY		\$2,225.00			\$2,225.00		100.00 %
945 - Insurance and Benefits Total			\$525,927.00	\$-2,629.66		\$497,073.20	\$26,224.14	94.98 %
015050.116	MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2016 REFUNDS					\$355.77	\$-355.77	100.00 %
015050.117	MVE 2017 REFUNDS					\$2,445.52	\$-2,445.52	100.00 %
015050.118	MVE REFUNDS LY18					\$2,819.06	\$-2,819.06	100.00 %
988 - Mve Refund Total						\$5,620.35	\$-5,620.35	100.00 %
015020.118	SENIOR WORKOFF FY18					\$1,000.00	\$-1,000.00	100.00 %
989 - 989 Total						\$1,000.00	\$-1,000.00	100.00 %
01 - GENERAL FUND Total		\$362,144.18	\$4,323,129.00	\$84,700.00	\$623.00	\$4,410,369.12	\$358,981.06	92.47 %

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13 - CHAPTER 90								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
135422.700	Chapter 90					\$227,024.98	\$-227,024.98	100.00 %
135422.701	COMPLETE STREETS					\$36,158.50	\$-36,158.50	100.00 %
422 - Highway Department Total						\$263,183.48	\$-263,183.48	100.00 %
13 - CHAPTER 90 Total						\$263,183.48	\$-263,183.48	100.00 %

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24 - GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS								
Account	Description	Carry fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
245163.000	Elections - State					\$3,335.00	\$-3,335.00	100.00 %
163 - Board of Registrars Total						\$3,335.00	\$-3,335.00	100.00 %
245210.000	Community Policing					\$1,081.41	\$-1,081.41	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total						\$1,081.41	\$-1,081.41	100.00 %
245223.016	FY16 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING					\$707.56	\$-707.56	100.00 %
245227.000	MEMA GRANT FFY17		\$2,460.00	\$-602.00		\$1,858.00		100.00 %
299 - Emergency Management Total			\$2,460.00	\$-602.00		\$2,565.56	\$-707.56	138.08 %
245437.001	BOH ONLINE PERMITTING GRANT EXPENSE					\$2,370.00	\$-2,370.00	100.00 %
2454320.002	SMRPG		\$4,200.00			\$815.99	\$3,384.01	19.42 %
511 - Board of Health Total			\$4,200.00			\$3,185.99	\$1,014.01	75.85 %
245100.007	Council on Aging - State					\$4,797.98	\$-4,797.98	100.00 %
541 - Council on Aging Total						\$4,797.98	\$-4,797.98	100.00 %
245100.012	Cultural Council					\$9,902.14	\$-9,902.14	100.00 %
542 - Cultural Council Total						\$9,902.14	\$-9,902.14	100.00 %
245100.003	Library - State					\$1,912.27	\$-1,912.27	100.00 %
245600.001	BTCF GRANT					\$435.54	\$-435.54	100.00 %
610 - Library Total						\$2,347.81	\$-2,347.81	100.00 %
24 - GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS Total			\$6,660.00	\$-602.00		\$27,215.89	\$-21,157.89	449.25 %

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25 - REVOLVING FUNDS									
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp	
255008.000	DOG LICENSE EXPENSE					\$713.88	\$-713.88	100.00	%
161 - Town Clerk Total						\$713.88	\$-713.88	100.00	%
255171.400	Conservation Comm.					\$737.82	\$-737.82	100.00	%
171 - Conservation Commission Total						\$737.82	\$-737.82	100.00	%
255176.700	Board of Appeals			\$550.00		\$598.41	\$-48.41	108.80	%
176 - Board of Appeals Total				\$550.00		\$598.41	\$-48.41	108.80	%
255208.000	MRF RECYCLING PROCEEDS - EXPENSE					\$60.00	\$-60.00	100.00	%
511 - Board of Health Total						\$60.00	\$-60.00	100.00	%
255249.000	Inspectors					\$15,000.00	\$-15,000.00	100.00	%
249 - Inspectors Total						\$15,000.00	\$-15,000.00	100.00	%
2553207.000	Compostable Materials					\$127.93	\$-127.93	100.00	%
511 - Board of Health Total						\$127.93	\$-127.93	100.00	%
255200.700	French Park Expenses			\$825.00			\$825.00	0.00	%
655 - French Park Total				\$825.00			\$825.00	0.00	%
25 - REVOLVING FUNDS Total				\$1,375.00		\$17,238.04	\$-15,863.04	1,253.67	%

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26 - GIFTS AND DONATIONS								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
265543.000	COUNCIL ON AGING DONATION EXPENSE					\$485.90	\$-485.90	100.00 %
541 - Council on Aging Total						\$485.90	\$-485.90	100.00 %
265122.840	Holiday Lights Fund					\$385.00	\$-385.00	100.00 %
122 - Selectmen Total						\$385.00	\$-385.00	100.00 %
265653.000	French Park Playground					\$9,900.00	\$-9,900.00	100.00 %
653 - French Park Playground Total						\$9,900.00	\$-9,900.00	100.00 %
26 - GIFTS AND DONATIONS Total						\$10,770.90	\$-10,770.90	100.00 %

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61 - WATER FUND								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
615451.115	Water Wages		\$61,403.00			\$58,451.63	\$2,951.37	95.19 %
615451.200	Utilities		\$12,000.00			\$10,557.23	\$1,442.77	87.97 %
615451.201	Audit		\$3,630.00			\$3,630.00		100.00 %
615451.400	Office Expenses		\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00		100.00 %
615451.704	ART. 6 STM DRIVEWAY REPAIR		\$19,000.00			\$18,550.00	\$450.00	97.63 %
615451.700	Water Expenses		\$25,000.00			\$20,545.01	\$4,454.99	82.18 %
615451.701	Water Line Repairs		\$25,000.00			\$22,337.57	\$2,662.43	89.35 %
615451.703	Insurance		\$17,416.00			\$16,017.48	\$1,398.52	91.96 %
615451.825	Software		\$1,517.00			\$1,517.00		100.00 %
615451.900	Debt Service - Princ/Int		\$104,350.00			\$104,350.00		100.00 %
451 - Water Department Total			\$270,816.00			\$257,455.92	\$13,360.08	95.06 %
61 - WATER FUND Total			\$270,816.00			\$257,455.92	\$13,360.08	95.06 %

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88 - WITHHOLDINGS FUND									
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp	
885998.947	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD EYE INSURANC					\$898.08	\$-898.08	100.00 %	
885999.993	Other Withholdings					\$8,635.76	\$-8,635.76	100.00 %	
885999.994	HIHGWAY UNION DUES					\$2,096.92	\$-2,096.92	100.00 %	
885998.995	Insurance WWithholding					\$107,894.81	\$-107,894.81	100.00 %	
885999.997	Deferred Comp					\$25,308.33	\$-25,308.33	100.00 %	
885999.998	Retirement Withholding					\$75,373.19	\$-75,373.19	100.00 %	
885999.999	Taxes Withholding					\$172,046.23	\$-172,046.23	100.00 %	
998 - WITHHOLDINGS Total						\$392,253.32	\$-392,253.32	100.00 %	
88 - WITHHOLDINGS FUND Total						\$392,253.32	\$-392,253.32	100.00 %	

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89 - AGENCY FUNDS								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
895115.000	Deputy Collector Fees					\$2,135.00	\$-2,135.00	100.00 %
145 - Treasurer/Collector Total						\$2,135.00	\$-2,135.00	100.00 %
895200.007	Outside Detail					\$139,468.80	\$-139,468.80	100.00 %
895200.555	State Fire Arms					\$987.50	\$-987.50	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total						\$140,456.30	\$-140,456.30	100.00 %
89 - AGENCY FUNDS Total						\$142,591.30	\$-142,591.30	100.00 %
Grand Total		\$362,144.18	\$4,600,605.00	\$85,473.00	\$623.00	\$5,521,077.97	\$-473,478.79	109.37 %

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

At the Special Town Meeting of March 27, 2018 voters present approved the funding to purchase an electronic voting tabulator. The May local election was the last time voters used the 100 year old wooden voting box to cast their ballots. The new electronic tabulator will greatly assist our elections workers who had previously worked into the wee hours of the morning hand-counting ballots.

Births July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

October 3, 2017	Francesca Jane Bishop-Berg, daughter of Sarah Bishop & Matthew Berg
November 4, 2017	Juniper Daphne Greene, daughter of Tiffany & Nicholas Greene
November 6, 2017	Bailey May Lillard, daughter of Kimberly Lawson & William Lillard
December 21, 2017	Selena Belle Cudal, daughter of Chona Ciedal & Sansnoble Cudal

Marriages July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

September 9, 2017	Megan Lynn Duprey & Mark Herman Schneeberger Jr. of Copake, NY
May 19, 2018	Audrey Marie Hosier & Stephen David Flebotte of Malta, NY
June 23, 2018	Jennifer Lynn Hamm & Roger Edwin Bailey of Egremont, MA
June 9, 2018	Megan Montgomery & Brianna Sawyer of Egremont, MA

Deaths July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

August 11, 2017	Allan Carter, born Dublin, Ireland
September 19, 2017	Dorothy Lillian Pruhuber, born Rockville Center, NY
October 11, 2017	Alwin Schnufelberger, born Schliereu, Switzerland
December 2, 2017	Mary Comarato, born Bronx, NY
December 12, 2017	Joan Carter, born Whitefish, MT
January 9, 2018	Brian Moran, born Chicago, IL
March 3, 2018	Richard Stevens Shaw, born Great Barrington, MA
March 30, 2018	Richard F. Snow, born Great Barrington, MA
April 3, 2018	Elliot Krancer, born Brooklyn, NY
March 25, 2018	Linde W. Deris, born Breslau, Germany
April 10, 2018	Beverly Almond, born Great Neck, NY
April 20, 2018	Thomas D. Defino, born Pittsfield, MA
May 31, 2018	Stella Rose Smith, born Poughkeepsie, NY
May 31, 2018	Priscilla Burdsall, born Philadelphia, PA
June 25, 2018	Barbara E. Frye, born Lynn, MA

Respectfully Submitted,
Juliette S. Haas, Egremont Town Clerk

**REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018**

Trust Funds

Expendable

Conservation		\$11,365.18	
F. Boice Memorial	Interest	\$415.29	
French Park Trust		\$4,421.16	
GASB 45	Retirement Fund	\$104,960.35	
Hillside Cemetery - PC		\$31,950.71	
Hillside - Sale Lots		\$3,599.00	
Stabilization fund		<u>\$460,598.84</u>	
			\$617,310.53

Unexpendable

F. Boice Memorial	Principal	\$10,000.00	
Perpetual Care	Principal	<u>\$60,951.10</u>	
			\$70,951.10

General Funds

\$883,749.39

Total all Funds

\$1,572,011.02

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Funk

Treasurer-Tax Collector

**REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS'
SERVICES**

To the Honorable Select Board:

Thank you for allowing me to service the member towns, their veterans, and widows. We have made great strides in reaching out to our veterans in our local area, letting them know the various services available to them from Elderly Services, Community Actions and also the local senior centers. During FY 2018 we have seen a slight increase in all areas of operation and currently have 43 active Chapter 115 claims.

Chapter 115 Submissions and Return from the State:

Town	FY 2018 Submitted 7/01/17-6/30/18	Pmt Due in FY 2019 -FY 2018 - 75%
Egremont	\$8,372.07	\$6,279.05

Over the last year we have completed the following for our member town's veterans:

Applications for VA Health Care	35
ALS/Disability/A&A/Appeals/Life Insurance	66
DD 214s	55
Request for Grave Markers	12
Tax Abatements/SS help/other requests	54
Flags to funerals homes for veterans	46
Assisted with Dr. Appointments	20
Home and Office Visits	438
Veterans Services Phone Calls	1445

For FY 2018 District budget was reduced by the reserve resulting in a smaller assessment for the member towns. During these trying financial times all veterans and widows are encouraged to contact this office or the US Department of Veterans Affairs and review current entitlements as many changes have taken place. Egremont' apportionment towards the FY 2018 DVS budget was \$5,620.70 -- this number was based on population percentage on the 2010 Census.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie J. Hils

Southern Berkshire District Director for Veteran Services

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

The Egremont Water Department continues to increase the amount of receipts from the monthly billings. Advances in our software and billing system have resulted in more accurate reporting and billing. As the Department strives for more efficiency, fewer pumping hours and the solar panels at the plant contribute to reduced operating costs.

The Department has been able to reduce finished water outflows another eight per cent over fiscal year 2017 due to leak detection, infrastructure repairs and more precise metering. Leak detection efforts continue across the entire system with the assistance of Massachusetts Rural Water Association. Replacement of transmitters and meter maintenance contribute to more efficient operations and ensure correct meter readings.

Copper and lead testing is accomplished on a twice-yearly basis; Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection has required the additional round of testing to monitor pH levels in the system. DEP has also required that there be additional testing of source water and the addition of a corrosion control protocol and system to be installed. Monthly testing results for other contaminants are forwarded to the MA DEP.

Monthly water bills are generated, printed and mailed directly from Town Hall. The Water Department Clerk is available weekdays during normal Town Hall hours to answer questions and provide information about the water system and billing.

Meetings of the Commissioners are held monthly at Town Hall.

Respectively submitted:

Steve Agar

Poly Lanoue

Ray Palmucci

Egremont Water Commissioners



(Smiley's Pond - photo courtesy of Hans Carlson)



Community Driven... Community Strong

www.bcacinc.org

December 13, 2017

Town of Egremont
Select Board
P.O. Box 368
Egremont, MA 01258

Dear Town of Egremont Select Board,

Please accept the following request for funding to assist BCAC in serving low-income residents in the town of Egremont. The funds are used to assist residents in Egremont with emergency assistance once all other resources have been exhausted. Emergency assistance typically consists of rental payment to avoid eviction, utility payments to avoid utility shut-off, transportation to medical appointments and food pantry services.

BCAC would like to request \$1,000 in funds from the town of Egremont to serve only residents in Egremont who request emergency assistance. Although we cannot predict the demand for emergency assistance, we must prepare for the event should it arise. BCAC provided fuel assistance to 26 households in Egremont and Weatherization services to 2 households in 2017.

Berkshire Community Action Council, Inc. was established in 1966 as a private, non-profit corporation, for the purpose of promoting the well-being of low-income people in Berkshire County, Massachusetts. BCAC provides a number of services that assist low-income residents of Berkshire County. These services and programs include but are not limited to fuel assistance, weatherization and utility resources, transportation, emergency assistance, and food pantries. BCAC continues to operate a program targeting at risk youth and an Asset Development Initiative that encourages low-income participants to build capital. All these programs are designed to provide emergency assistance, prevention, support and advocacy for low-income residents. BCAC is dedicated to the principle of maximum feasibility participation among low-income residents by encouraging their participation in the planning and development of initiatives that focus on reducing poverty and community development. In 2017, BCAC received and responded to over 7,925 eligible fuel assistance applicants countywide.

Thank you,

Maggie Sheehan

CFO/Berkshire Community Action Council, Inc.



COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAMS, INC.

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CHP Family Services

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CHP Neighborhood Dental Center

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CHP Neighborhood Health Center

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CHP North Adams Family Medicine

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Community Health Programs: Report on Services Rendered in the Last Year to Residents of the Town of Egremont

We are pleased to report on the following Community Health Programs (CHP) services that were provided to Egremont residents during the past year to promote the health and well-being of young children and families.

CHP's Women, Infants, Children (WIC) program provided essential nutrition education and WIC checks for healthy foods to town pregnant or postpartum women, newborns, toddlers, and children under the age of five who met the federal governments' eligibility requirements. CHP hosted farmer's markets, provided free and emergency food, hosted monthly healthy food distribution events, gave nutrition classes, and provided breastfeeding counseling and support.

CHP Family Services served residents of Egremont through playgroups held on-site at Family Services offices in Great Barrington, and at playgroups in neighboring rural towns in South County. CHP also offered a clothing exchange, lending library, consignment sale, assisted with fuel and holiday relief funds, and distributed donated food and childcare necessities.

CHP also provided primary and preventive care to Egremont residents of all ages who were patients at one or more of CHP's medical or dental facilities, including CHP on Wheels – regardless of their insurance or ability to pay.

Through patient and client records, playgroup attendance sheets, event attendance records, and WIC participant data, we know that nearly 400 individuals – over 1/3 of Egremont residents – were served by CHP this past year. We are grateful for the support that the town of Egremont has provided that has helped make such a difference in so many lives of its residents, regardless of their economic status.



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Executive Director

December 19, 2017

Town of Egremont
Office Administrator
171 Egremont Plain Rd.
Egremont, MA 01258-0368

Dear Town Leaders,

I want to express my appreciation for the Town of Egremont's ongoing support of those with low incomes that affect their housing and financial stability. With your help, we served over 550 south county neighbors including many from Egremont itself as almost 20% of its residents have low income -that's over 200 people.

We could not help as many without your partnership.

Enclosed please find Construct's invoice for the 2018 appropriation.

Construct requests that Egremont renew its support for 2019 at the same \$1000.00 level. Enclosed please also find the 2019 contract for services upon which Egremont residents can depend to address their need for affordable housing and financial stability.

Thank you so much for your support.

Sincerely

Jane Ralph
Executive Director



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February 5, 2018

Attn: Mary Brazie, Office Administrator
Board of Selectmen
Town of Egremont
P. O. Box 368
Egremont, MA 01258-0368

Re: Request for Payment for FY2018 and Request for FY2019 Town Appropriation of \$500

Dear Selectmen,

I am writing to request payment of the FY2018 Town of Egremont appropriation of \$500. I am also writing to ask that the Town of Egremont again support the work of Elizabeth Freeman Center by appropriating \$500 to our organization for FY2019.

As I write this, the Berkshires is still reeling from news that on January 5, 2018, Christa Leigh Steele-Knudsen of North Adams was found dead and her husband arrested for her murder. In 2017, Celeste Kordana of Pittsfield and Joanne Ringer of Clarksburg were murdered by their husbands. At least 1/3 of homicides in Berkshire County in the past 10 years are domestic violence murders. Our rates of 209A and 258E protection orders for domestic violence and sexual assault are 23% and 22% above the state average.

Violence is not just a big city problem. In fact, client experiences, our own histories, and available data tell us that rural survivors are at an elevated risk of intimate partner violence (IPV) homicide, experience higher than average prevalence and more chronic and severe IPV, and have worse psychosocial and physical health outcomes due to difficulties accessing help. Massachusetts has recognized that rural survivors of violence are twice as likely to have severe physical injuries as their urban counterparts. Residents of rural communities have unique impediments to getting help. Lack of transportation, isolation, kinship ties, poverty and traditional values all contribute to the barriers rural victims face when attempting to end the abuse in their lives. The levels and severity of violence are high but often hidden.

Domestic and sexual violence are widely recognized as primary causes of poverty and homelessness. Studies show that people will suffer abuse longer if they cannot feed and shelter themselves and their children. At EFC, we see this first-hand. We also see, in ways that don't get media attention, the profound long-term effects these types of violence often have on the lives of survivors, their children, and the wider community. Violence affects us, our children, our friends, our neighbors, our coworkers, our towns.

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Who we are and what we do:

Elizabeth Freeman Center (EFC) is the domestic violence program and rape crisis center for all of Berkshire County. EFC represents the merger in 1997 of two grass roots organizations: Women Services Center, formed in 1974 to address domestic violence; and Rape Crisis Center, formed in 1976 to address sexual assault. We adopted the name Elizabeth Freeman Center, inspired by the incredible courage and determination of our nationally recognized local hero, Elizabeth Freeman.

In 43 years, we've grown from small groups of dedicated volunteers working out of their cars and homes to become a county-wide presence with an array of services and strong partnerships. We now have offices in the three major areas of Berkshire County- located in Great Barrington, Pittsfield and North Adams- and a secure residential shelter with ten bedrooms, with staff also sited in the Pittsfield and Adams police departments, Family and Probate Court, the Northern and Southern Berkshire District Courts, and Berkshire County Kids' Place. We are spread throughout this large rural county, albeit thinly, so that people know who we are, how we can help, how to reach us, and how we can work together.

EFC strives to:

- ensure that all people whose lives are affected by domestic and sexual violence have access to necessary services to escape violence, heal from past violence and rebuild their lives;
- educate the public about domestic and sexual violence and promote the prevention of violence; and
- end domestic and sexual violence by working with others for social change to create a culture of respect and justice.

Our services help survivors get and stay safe, heal from fear and trauma, break down isolation, improve self-esteem and self-awareness, improve social relationships and functioning, reengage in school, build social networks, address health issues, develop education and career goals, and envision and create a new future.

We serve adult and child survivors of violence, children who have witnessed violence and non-offending family members. Our services include: a 24/7 toll-free hotline with emergency services including shelter, transportation, phones, and food, with physical response to hospitals and police stations following an attack; a secure residential shelter with in-house support services; individual counseling, advocacy and safety planning; support groups; our Domestic Violence Homelessness Response Program; our LGBTQ Access Project; SAFEPLAN legal advocacy in county courts to assist victims in obtaining protection orders (commonly called "restraining orders"); specialized services for immigrants and for survivors with disabilities; secure supervised visitation services; SafePet, a collaborative program with Berkshire Humane Society that shelters pets when their owners need to leave their homes because of violence; partner contact for the area's batterers' intervention

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education program; primary prevention/sex education programs for children and youth; and on-site legal assistance through Community Legal Aid.

This past year, our financial independence initiative called “Money School” received the state 2017 Innovation Award. We also were awarded funding from the state to expand our specialized services for survivors with disabilities and to expand services for children exposed to domestic violence to our Great Barrington and North Adams offices.

We are active in many community organizations and coalitions, including the South County Health Caravan, the Multicultural Race Task Force, Human/Animal Violence Education Network, the District Attorney’s quarterly meetings, Berkshire County Head Start Executive Board, the Berkshire Connector Collaborative, the Department of Children and Families’ Trauma-informed Leadership Team, and the Homelessness Continuum of Care Committee. We have strong partnerships with law enforcement, the courts, area schools and colleges, health providers, community coalitions, housing and homelessness providers, child serving agencies, Berkshire Immigrant Center, Community Health Program, Tapestry, employment services, faith-based groups, literacy and ESL groups, women’s service organizations, civic organizations, and business associations.

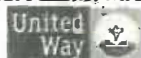
We are appointed members of the advisory boards of the Department of Children and Families and the Department of Transitional Assistance as well as a Governor’s appointee to the Chapter 260 Special Legislative Commission on Violence, Housing and Shelter. We regularly communicate with our legislators and inform others of pending issues through our electronic newsletter *Freeman Flash* and through our membership on community committees and coalitions.

Services are accessible regardless of language, ability, or gender identity and are culturally sensitive to issues of race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, and age. EFC sites and shelter are handicap accessible. Our staff is racially and culturally diverse, with 40% identifying as persons of color, 20% bilingual, and 17% LGBTQ. We have TTY, subscribe to telephone interpretation services and hire interpreters as needed. All of our services are free and confidential with special protections under MGL Ch. 233 §520k and 20j.



Our Great Barrington office is a full service office providing emergency services including shelter and transportation, counseling and advocacy for adults and children, support groups, SAFEPLAN court advocacy in the Southern Berkshire District Court, specialized counseling and advocacy for LGBTQ survivors of violence (who often face particular barriers to support and safety), our “Money School” financial independence program, community education, and prevention services focused on youth. Staffing includes four staff members (one Spanish-speaking), equivalent to 3.4 full-time positions. Three of our staff grew up in the south county area and all four have close ties with the community.

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Last year, Elizabeth Freeman Center provided hotline, counseling, advocacy, court assistance and Money School services to seven persons identifying their residence as Egremont through our Great Barrington office and in Southern Berkshire District Court. 102 of those we served did not identify their residence. Particularly for those living in small towns in which anonymity is an issue, people often do not identify where they live.

Conclusion:

We envision a world in which we can walk without fear, wherever we want, whenever we want; a world in which our daughters' clothing will never be seen as an excuse for rape, in which we can let our children go to the park or walk to school without worry. We envision a world in which we are safe in our own homes. We have much more work to do. Our core responsibility is to respond to and prevent violence. This will not change; however, our response cannot be simplistic. Our work is important, effective, far reaching and holistic. It saves lives and increases the health of our community and children.

We hope that you will continue to support us. In spite of funding cuts, we have maintained and improved our services due to the support and generosity of our community. Our organization operates on a shoestring and we spend each dollar carefully. You can be sure that your appropriation will be put to good use.

Please do call me if you have any questions about Elizabeth Freeman Center or our application. And if you would like us to speak anywhere, definitely let us know.

Thank you for your past support and for the ongoing support you provide us.

Sincerely,



Janis Broderick
Executive Director



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December 26, 2017

The Town of Egremont Administrator
P.O. Box 368
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To the Egremont Community,

Thank you for your appropriation of \$1500 for Fairview Hospital in your FY18 budget. The generous support of our neighbors in Egremont is greatly appreciated by all at Fairview. With your support Fairview Hospital continues to serve the Egremont community with high quality health care. This gift will help Fairview invest in a new 3D Digital Mammography Unit in our Diagnostic Imaging Department. Your support will help us save lives through early detection. At this time, we would also like to request being considered for the FY19 fiscal appropriation.

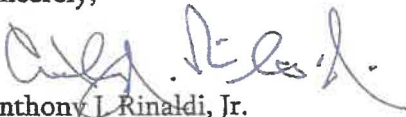
Fairview continues to provide care for our neighbors from North and South Egremont, both full-and part time, as well as their visiting guests and family. Our medical professionals have worked closely with the first responders and safety officials to increase the safety of our community to be prepared for both natural and man-made emergencies. Fairview provides a wide range of services, programs and support to meet the acute, chronic and preventive health needs that allow the southern Berkshires community to be as healthy as possible.

Among the services provided to Egremont residents in the past year include: Among full-time Egremont residents, Fairview recorded 228 Emergency Department visits, 20 inpatient stays on our Med/Surg Unit or in our CCU, 80 Rehabilitation visits, 455 lab tests, 1 mother and baby, 54 cardiology patients, 21 treatments at Fairview's Wound Center and 328 radiology exams. We also provided over 28 outpatient surgical procedures, 1 swing bed stay for Medicare patients, 2 patients for nutrition counseling for their children, and 23 endoscopic procedures. This does not include Egremont community members who live here part time and registered with different primary address.

I am pleased to share that Fairview Hospital has once again been recognized nationally and named "One of America's Top Rural Hospitals" by the Leapfrog Group, an independent hospital watchdog organization. Our entire team has worked hard to achieve this designation. The Leapfrog Group collects and transparently reports hospital performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information. Fairview is one of only 18 rural hospitals in America to receive this Top distinction. It is an honor we earn every day with each patient we serve.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Anthony J. Rinaldi, Jr.
Executive Vice President

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REPORT OF THE EGREMONT GARDEN CLUB

Members of the Egremont Garden Club spent many hours this year on civic projects in the Town. We maintained the garden at the entrance to Hillside Cemetery, the plantings at the Town Hall and on the Green in the south village, the garden at the Egremont Free Library, the triangle at the intersection of Creamery Rd. & Rte. 23, and the bridge boxes on Buttonball Lane and Egremont Sheffield Road. The club purchased five shrubs and planted them at the Creamery Rd triangle. The library garden was enhanced by the planting of annuals and we purchased and planted two containers which were placed near the front entrance. The club plants annuals in the bridge boxes several times from April to October and members contribute their time and effort to the daily watering regimen.

The club hosted their annual Plant Sale on Memorial Day weekend at the First Congregational Church. This event is the major fundraiser for the club.

A container design workshop and a field trip to the "Bridge of Flowers" in Shelburne Falls, VT were also part of the club's activities this year and gave the members some new ideas for the gardens we maintain in the Town.

Every August the club provides mugs of flowers to the Meals-on-Wheels program and then holiday mugs of greenery in December. Holiday centerpieces are created for the Great Barrington Senior Center. Our members also make and distribute the holiday wreaths that adorn all the public buildings in North and South Egremont.

The Gertrude Burdsall Memorial Scholarship was presented this year to a graduating senior from Mt Everett Regional High School. The Gertrude Burdsall Memorial Lecture, which benefits the scholarship fund, was held this year in September at the Berkshire Botanical Garden in Stockbridge. The program this year was entitled "the Japanese Tea Garden: Design & Traditions. This event was well attended and the club is very appreciative of the support of townspeople and businesses at our events.

The Egremont Garden Club meets monthly from April thru November. New members are welcome and encouraged. To join, contact the club at egremontgardenclub@gmail.com or any member for more information.



(Members of the Egremont Garden Club gathered Aug. 15 at the Claire Teague Senior Center in Great Barrington for their annual arrangement of flowers in "mugs of cheer" for delivery to recipients of Meals on Wheels.)



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Housatonic Valley Association

Report on HVA 2017 Activities for the Town of Egremont Residents

January 9, 2018

We would like to thank the town of Egremont for supporting Housatonic Valley Association's (HVA) efforts to protect and utilize the Housatonic River Watershed resources. Our mission is to protect the natural character and environmental health of the entire Housatonic 2,000-square-mile Watershed for this and future generations. We strive to balance important economic and environmental needs allowing for smart growth that also protects water quality and encourages open space, wetland habitats, recreation areas and scenic vistas. In addition to our office in Stockbridge, we also have offices in Cornwall Bridge, Ct. and in Wassaic, New York.

We work to partner with municipalities, sister organizations, business and community leaders, along with our members and volunteers, to conserve important conservation lands, and restore and protect waters throughout the watershed including tributaries such as the Green River and Hubbard Brook. Our work includes land and water assessments that prioritize our environmental restoration and protection projects; protecting and developing river access sites and walking and boating trails; creating classroom and field trip education programs for our region's schools; conducting adult education through public talks, publications and outdoor excursions; and community engagement in river cleanups, river monitoring and remediation, and issue resolution.

Programs benefitting Egremont residents include:

- **Green River Assessment** – In our goal to gauge the health of our Housatonic Watershed, we conduct river assessments, by trained volunteers, that collect data on the current use and health conditions on particular tributaries within the Housatonic Watershed, as well as on the Main Stem. We have recently completed such a survey on the Green River, from the headwaters in New York, to the confluence with the Main Stem in Great Barrington. This project has produced a report that will be distributed to the community that contains an up-to-date assessment of the Green River, and also provides hands-on river remediation project opportunities for Egremont residents.

The findings identifies both positive and negative attributes of the river broken down in approximate mile long sections. These findings are then compiled into a report which describes the specific findings and also locates these findings on an enclosed map. The report also recommends specific follow up actions that guide future river conservation, cleanup and community engagement projects, and water quality monitoring projects. We feel that this hands-on work by our team of volunteers also fosters improved community understanding of, and stewardship for, our local waterways. A copy of the Green River Assessment is included in the packet of information. We will also contact the Egremont Conservation Commission to request time at a meeting to talk about this report and distribute additional copies. This report will also be on the HVA website.

- **Guided Family Paddling Trips** – We offer 6 guided paddle trips on various sections of the Housatonic River in the spring, summer and fall for new and seasoned paddlers and families to experience and to learn more about our local river environments. These outings are promoted

on our website, in the local press and through email. These trips are well attended and we often have a waiting list. Residents from Egremont have benefitted by joining us on paddle trips.

- **Improved River Access** – Last year we were pleased that we were able to install an improved river access to the Housatonic River in Stockbridge in the form of a floating dock, which was well received by boaters. This year we were able to raise sufficient funds to design and receive permits to install another improved site to the Main Stem of the Housatonic River on Division Street in Great Barrington. We plan on constructing this site in early summer. We feel that these improved access sites, will assist in getting local residents and visitors alike to get out and appreciate the Housatonic River.
- **Watershed Education for Schools** – We continue to offer educational programs that fit the Fifth grade State Educational Standards. These programs are designed to engage young students in their natural world, using classroom strategies such as hands-on watershed model demonstrations, as well as outdoor experiences to introduce children to river and watershed dynamics, and the role we all play in maintaining river health. Specific programs include: *What is a Watershed*, *Incredible Journey*, and *Storm Drain Awareness*. We've also created "teaching bins" that contain teaching tools including manipulatives, literature and games that illustrate and support watershed lessons. These programs and our teaching bins are utilized at Undermountain Elementary School.
- **Adult education** - We have also developed an educational program that focuses on increasing awareness to local community residents to better understand what they can do to minimize water quality contamination to the rivers in the watershed. Storm water run-off is the main cause for water quality impairment (EPA), and we have recently created and will be implementing a 'RiverSmart' program that will discuss this important issue, and get people actively involved in reducing the impact of stormwater runoff.

Report on HVA Goals and benefit to Egremont residents.

Taken From - HVA goals from Strategic Plan 2015 – 2020

- 1) Lead water and land conservation efforts, and promote and advise on land use and water management policies, to protect significant places and improve water quality in rivers and streams throughout the watershed.
- 2) Educate and engage communities throughout the watershed to advance our collective understanding of the ecological, economic and social values of conservation.
- 3) Build on HVA's strength as the primary, trusted resource for information on the watershed and its health, maximizing its value to decision-makers, individuals, organizations, and municipalities
- 4) Advocate for state water and land policies, and increases in the allocation of state and federal resources, which advance conservation in the region and the health of the watershed
- 5) Strengthen HVA's human resources and capacity to deliver on goals and programs as designed.
- 6) Build awareness of HVA's mission among permanent and seasonal residents and decision-makers throughout the watershed.

We strive to work with community members to get out and enjoy the Housatonic Watershed environment. We focus on developing hands-on volunteer project that collect data such as river assessments and water quality monitoring to both know more about the river, but also to feel attached to the river. We feel that the more people interact with river issues, the more they will feel responsible to help protect and manage the river resource. To this end, we have created our existing programs of river assessments, water quality monitoring, improving river access sites, offering school and adult education programs, and providing free paddle trips.



LITERACY NETWORK OF SOUTH BERKSHIRE

February 20, 2018

Ms. Mary Brazie
Office Administrator
Town of Egremont
P.O. Box 368
Egremont, MA 01258-0368

Dear Ms. Brazie,

On behalf of the Literacy Network of South Berkshire, I am writing to thank the Town of Egremont for its donation of \$400 received on January 9, 2018. With the help of LitNet's volunteer tutors, adult learners in the Berkshires improve their basic literacy skills so that they can better navigate the world around them and make positive changes in their lives. **All of our work in education and community-building is only possible thanks to your generosity.**

I hope you share our pride in the major accomplishments of our LitNet adult learners. During 2017, nine students reached significant educational milestones including receiving their high school equivalency certificate, enrolling at Berkshire Community College, and becoming certified in medical coding. One student became an American citizen, at least 8 students advanced their careers by attaining better jobs, and 11 students reached significant cultural or social milestones including buying a house, getting married, securing an apartment, learning to take the bus, and receiving a driver's license.

The IRS has designated Literacy Network of South Berkshire, Inc. as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your gift of \$400 is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. No goods or services were provided in return for this contribution. Please retain this letter as confirmation of your donation and as a receipt for your records.

A young Latino student recently spoke about the impact of LitNet on his life and his goals for the future. He said:

"LitNet is really helping me to improve skills that are going to be instrumental in my professional future. Thank you for believing in us—the students—and thank you for believing in education."

On behalf of this young man and all of our students, thank you for believing in LitNet's mission and for helping us to empower adult learners in the Berkshires.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Vrabel
Executive Director



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

December 22, 2017

Mary Brazie, Office Administrator
Town of Egremont
P.O. Box 368
Egremont, MA 01258-0368

Dear Ms. Brazie,

Railroad Street Youth Project (RSYP) requests \$1,500 in FY2019 funding from the Town of Egremont to support youth development programming that serve the young people of South County, including residents of the Town of Egremont. These critical, interlocked programs include:

1. The **Drop-in Center** is a safe, substance-free space located at 60 Bridge Street in Great Barrington where young people come together, seek support, develop ideas and connect with peers and RSYP staff. As a result of their participation at the Drop-in Center, young people often choose to seek additional support for self-identified needs.

2. The **Youth Operational Board (YOB)** nurtures innovative, youth-generated ideas. Made up of a group of 15-20 young people who meet weekly at our Drop-in Center to review youth-inspired projects and proposals submitted by community members and/or youth constituents, YOB has sponsored over 350 activities over the last few years. Under the guidance of RSYP staff, YOB has proven to be an outstanding forum for developing youth leadership skills, and informs RSYP's programmatic decision making.

3. The **Sexual Health Education Initiative** provides evidence-based sexual health education to local middle- and high-school students, including those enrolled at Mount Everett Regional School.

Combined, these programs help youth find their voice and realize the benefits of their commitment to themselves and their community. Last year, the Drop-in Center saw more than 256 visits from youth (with an average of 30 per week), 40 young people became voting members of YOB, 47 projects were proposed by youth for funding, and we delivered the Get Real sexual health curriculum to every 9th grade student at both Monument Mountain and Mount Everett High Schools (a total of 176 students). Of the total youth served, we estimate that at least 5% were residents of the Town of Egremont.

Thank you for your continued support of RSYP.

Sincerely,


Ananda Timpone
Executive Director



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Phone (413) 528-2475 www.rsyp.org

January 30, 2018

Mary Brazie
Town Hall
PO Box 368
Egremont, MA 01258-0368

Dear Mary,

Please accept this letter as our request for a FY 2019 allocation enabling Berkshire South Regional Community Center to continue providing essential programs and services for families and individuals in our community. Our mission continues to address five elements essential to living a balanced, healthy life: recreation, education, culture, health, and social well-being. Our primary objectives and goals are:

- 1) To ensure that donors are investing in a well-managed agency that focuses on stronger families and a stronger community;
- 2) To use community need to guide our programming and to measure our success by community impact;
- 3) To ensure that our organization's greatest strengths are employed to create efficiencies, build collaborations, and enhance streamlined services to respond to the needs of the Southern Berkshire community.

We are asking for a \$2,000 allocation from the Town of Egremont toward Berkshire South's FY 2019 operating budget. This allocation will directly impact not only the residents of Egremont – **108 of whom were members of the Center in 2017** – but also their neighbors and community partners in the Southern Berkshires, bringing sustainability and unity to our rural community. From the littlest Egremont community member attending Sunshine Preschool to a more seasoned member attending a fitness class for seniors, the Center continues to provide resources for all Egremont residents. Some of our programming utilized by Egremont residents has, and will continue to include:

- Adult fitness, aquatic programs and initiatives like the "Get Fit Challenge", a program offering group work outs, weigh-ins and nutritional coaching
- Free weekly community suppers open to all. Meals are cooked by local, talented chefs.
- Free intergenerational ukulele band and chorus
- Interest-based programs in writing, art, dance, gardening and yoga
- D.O.P.E (Discussing Our Personal Experiences), a well-attended support group that was created as a response to the community's concerns about the opioid epidemic
- The Youth Intervention/Prevention Curriculum (YIPC), which offers a range of youth development programming
- Sunshine Preschool, a full-day Massachusetts Early Education and Care (EEC) regulated preschool
- After-school, snowy day, school break and ½ school day programs (licensed by MA Department of Early Education and Care) and summertime Action Adventures Day Camp (licensed by MA Department of Public Health)



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- Low-cost childcare during popular fitness classes
- Land- and water-based fitness programs for patrons with adaptive needs. We partner with a number of therapeutic/rehabilitation programs.

As a unique resource informed directly by the needs of our community, Berkshire South Regional Community Center strives each day to uphold its commitment to providing services to all, regardless of ability to pay. In an effort to reach our goal of connecting the community at large, Berkshire South has established a Financial Assistance Program to ensure such access. The average reported household income for those served by our Financial Assistance Program during 2017 was \$17,284.

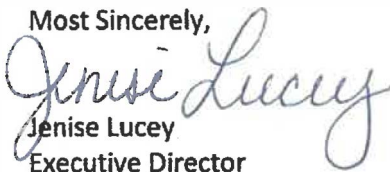
Participation in the Center's Assistance program is significant given that in 2016 as recorded by Talk Poverty, 14% of the district's population was living below the poverty level (\$24,340 for a family of four)¹. To accommodate this demographic, Berkshire South employs a pluralistic approach to raising the funds needed to offset the expense of member subsidies including requests of individuals, foundations, corporations and our surrounding Towns. Total Financial Assistance for 2017 amounted to \$83,687 – an increase of \$18,187 from 2016 – of which the Center provided \$63,904 in membership assistance and \$19,783 in program assistance. **\$4,080 of that assistance was given to twelve Egremont residents.**

Small towns and rural communities such as ours are looking for ways to strengthen their economies, provide better quality of life, and build on local assets. **Your investment in Berkshire South does just that.** Annual town support for Berkshire South provides a foundation for lasting prosperity. Any support given by the Town Of Egremont for FY 2019 will go to our operational budget.

I invite you to explore our recent catalog and marvel at the array of programs, classes, fitness opportunities, aquatics and other activities that improve and enrich the lives of Egremont residents. I can assure you no other organization comes close to the level of commitment to our everyday health and well-being as does Berkshire South Regional Community Center.

Thank you for partnering with us as we strengthen bonds, create friendships and share in community. We greatly appreciate your continued support and the powerful impact it has on families and individuals in the Southern Berkshire area.

Most Sincerely,


Jenise Lucey
Executive Director

Enclosure:

Contract of services BSRCC provides Egremont residents
Recent catalogue of programs (January – April 2018)

¹ <https://talkpoverty.org/cd-year-report/massachusetts-cd-1-report-2017/>

